

YES! I want to be a part of the Garinger Education Foundation work building brighter futures for Garinger students and our community!



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One-time contribution: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

5-year pledge: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per year

- Please keep my contribution anonymous
- I am interested in starting a named memorial scholarship. Please contact me.
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- I am interested in volunteering with GEF. Please contact me.
- I am interested in learning about the **GEF Wildcat Scholar Endowment**. Please contact me.

## About Garinger Education Foundation

The Garinger Education Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, incorporated and licensed in NC as a charitable organization. Our primary mission is to provide college scholarship opportunities for Garinger High School (GHS) graduates. GEF also provides resources to improve the educational environment at GHS.

In our most recent 2019 financial report, 90% of GEF funding went to scholarships and about 8% for GHS faculty/staff, student, and facility initiatives. Our hardworking, all-volunteer Board of Directors makes it possible for GEF to maximize the allocation of your generous contributions to our mission.

Since 2014, GEF has offered scholarship support to over 250 graduates. As of spring 2019, 22 of our GEF Scholars have earned college degrees. Over 100 GEF Scholars are still working on their degrees.

### Garinger Education Foundation



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Scholarship at a Time...  
Helping to Build  
Brighter Futures at  
Garinger High School**



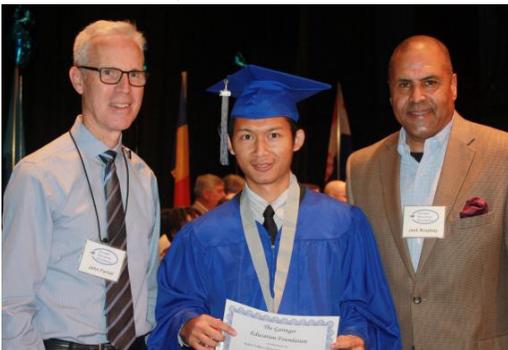
In 2014, GEF funded and dedicated a Vietnam Memorial on the GHS campus in memory of classmates lost in the Vietnam War. You can purchase an engraved paver on the memorial "Walk of Honor" to memorialize or honor someone. Your purchase supports GEF programs. Paver order forms are available on our website at [garingereducationfoundation.org](http://garingereducationfoundation.org).

**You can make a difference.  
Your generous gift will help build a  
brighter future for a GHS grad.**

- A gift of \$1,000 funds a Wildcat Scholarship for 1 GEF Scholar for 1 year.
- A gift of \$500 supports a GHS grad attending Central Piedmont Community College thru our GEF/CPCC Incentive Award Scholarship for 1 year.
- A gift of \$250 helps cover GHS teacher and student initiatives for 1 year.
- A gift of \$125 or \$250 for your personalized paver on the Vietnam Memorial Walk of Honor supports our scholarship funding.



Timothy Shar, GHS Class of 2019, and the first GEF Dwight Clark Memorial Scholar is pictured below with GEF board members John Farrell and Jack Brayboy (GHS Class of 1976).



### GEF Scholars

#### Brianna Geddis 2019 College Grad Stepping into a Bright Future



Brianna Geddis, GHS Class of 2015 and GEF Scholar, is now a 2019 graduate of University of North Carolina at Greensboro with a B.S. in Information Systems. She is pictured above with former board member Jane Suitt, Brianna's mentor during her college years.

*"I remember the day the Garinger Education Foundation announced that I was the recipient of the Daryl Lee Davis Memorial Scholarship... I couldn't believe it...I was awestruck! The scholarship meant the world to me. It allowed me to achieve something that I never thought I could achieve.*

*I would like to thank the Garinger Education Foundation for the experience and the opportunity... Working with Jane was wonderful... like having that safety net behind me. It was about having someone to care about my progress!*

*I am now working for Wells Fargo Corporate, and I actually have a career going!"*

~Brianna Geddis

### Garinger High School Today

- Student body: ~1,900 students; most racially/ethnically diverse high school in CMS
- Over 40 countries represented among students
- Title I, high-poverty high school with over 96% of students qualifying for free or reduced-cost lunch
- Many GHS students work outside of school and fewer than 40% of GHS grads apply to college
- Each year since 2015:
  - improving End-of-Course test results
  - exceeding academic growth goals
  - reducing absenteeism

**THESE YOUNG PEOPLE ARE OUR FUTURE  
JOB FORCE AND POLICY MAKERS...  
WE OWE IT TO THEM TO GIVE THEM  
ALL THE SUPPORT WE CAN!**

~Jane Suitt, Former GEF Board Member

Asanté Jones (pictured below), GHS Class of 2014 and GEF Scholar, is a 2018 graduate of NC Central University with a B.S. in Business Administration.

*"The scholarship provided me with the opportunity of a lifetime!"* ~Asanté Jones



### GEF Scholars

#### Asanté Jones 2018 College Grad Building a Better Future