



"Changing Lives, One Scholarship At A Time"

\$100K+
New
Scholarships
Awarded for
2025-2026

550+
Students Have
Received Funding
for Post-
Secondary
Education

\$1.375MM+
Total
Scholarships
Awarded

IMPACT REPORT 2025

65
Students
Receiving GEF
Scholarship
Support for
2025-2026

>96%
Of Funds Received
Support
Scholarships and
Initiatives at
Garinger High
School

"The financial support provided by the Garinger Education Foundation each semester has helped ease the financial burden which allowed me to focus completely on my education. Your investment into my education has allowed me to graduate from college with a double major (Business Analytics, Management Information Systems), a minor, and Latin honors."

*Vanessa Velazquez Magaña
Garinger '21
UNC Charlotte '25*

The mission of the Garinger Education Foundation is to provide scholarship opportunities to graduating students and to enhance the educational program at Garinger High School by developing and supporting initiatives that improve the educational environment for students, teachers, administrators and parents.

Our scholarship program is dedicated to fostering **upward mobility** and **workforce development** for graduates of Garinger High School, one of the highest poverty level schools in Charlotte, NC. By offering scholarships to ANY recent Garinger graduate pursuing their education at Central Piedmont Community College, we aim to break the cycle of poverty and empower these young individuals to achieve their career aspirations.

These scholarships are valued at up to \$4,000 over two years. This initiative not only reduces the financial burden of higher education but also equips students with the skills and knowledge needed to thrive in today's job market, providing a stable, gainful future for them, their families, and our community. This scholarship may be used at Central Piedmont to pursue associate degrees and university transfer pathways programs, as well as shorter term diploma and certificate programs designed to equip students with the skills to directly enter the workforce.

Your support is CRUCIAL to the success of this program!

By making a gift now, YOU will play an essential role in transforming lives and contributing to the economic vitality of our community. Together, we can ensure that every Garinger graduate has the opportunity to succeed!

What can your gift provide for one student?

\$2700 = Tuition for one year (Fall, Spr, Sum)

\$1000 = Tuition for one semester

\$350 = Books for one semester

\$250 = Tuition for one class

\$80 = One credit hour

"You are making the lives of many students better. You are helping so many fulfill their dreams. Personally, I am so thankful to each one of you for helping me take the first steps toward my future."

*Katherine Varela
Garinger '24*

Enrolled at Central Piedmont



Want to make a difference in the lives of Garinger graduates One Scholarship At A Time!

Make checks payable to
Garinger Education Foundation,
P.O. Box 31302,
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