

# **GREAT EXPECTATIONS SCHOLARSHIP**

## **GUIDELINES**

### **Overview**

Detroit Public Schools students are increasingly engaged in a myriad of academic advancements. With the advent of modern technology in addition to hands-on training, students are better prepared to embrace real world challenges and take full advantage of opportunities to further their academic and professional growth. To that end, ARAMARK/Southern Hospitality Restaurant Group has developed a scholarship program designed to provide financial assistance for graduating seniors interested in continuing their educational advancement.

Twenty-five Detroit Public Schools (DPS) students will be awarded a \$1,000 scholarship. The selection committee will choose those best representing the criterion delineated in these guidelines.

### **Program Goal**

ARAMARK/Southern Hospitality Restaurant Group proudly supports students who exemplify the skills and abilities required to achieve greatness. As a committed community stakeholder, ARAMARK/Southern Hospitality Restaurant Group and its local partners and vendors take pride in being able to sponsor the award of twenty-five \$1,000 scholarships to DPS students who strive for academic and personal excellence. We are committed to assisting students become responsible citizens who may in the future give back to the Detroit community that nurtured their growth and development.

### **Application Process**

Application materials will be available through all DPS high school principals in April 2007. Each student will be responsible for completing the application in its entirety, in addition to submitting (minimally) one letter of recommendation from his/her principal or counselor. All applicants must submit an official transcript and complete a one-page essay describing their academic goals, career goal(s), special achievements and involvement in the community.

### **Eligibility Criteria**

Students are eligible to be considered for a Great Expectations Scholarship if the following requirements apply:

- ◆ Will graduate in June 2007 from a Detroit Public Schools high school;
- ◆ Have a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 or higher (based on a 4.0 scale) at the time of nomination;
- ◆ Have demonstrated leadership ability through past/present participation in community service, extracurricular and/or other activities;
- ◆ Have an acceptance letter from a two or four-year institution of higher learning;
- ◆ Submit (minimally) one written recommendation from the high school principal or counselor; and
- ◆ Have fully completed the application in its entirety with original signatures, submitted on or before the deadline.

## Payment of Scholarships

- ◆ Awardees will be notified on or before May 21, 2007.
- ◆ Scholarship recipients will be required to attend a Scholarship Gala hosted by ARAMARK/Southern Hospitality Restaurant Group.
- ◆ A \$1,000 check will be made payable to the institution of higher learning on behalf of the scholarship recipient Fall 2007.
- ◆ All Great Expectations Scholarship recipients must agree to allow ARAMARK/Southern Hospitality Restaurant Group to share their name and photograph with the public/media.

## Application Submittal

Applications should be sent to:

ARAMARK/Southern Hospitality Restaurant Group  
Attention: Barbara Jean Patton  
DPS Office of Food Services  
1425 East Warren Avenue  
Detroit, Michigan 48207

***Application deadline: 5 pm, May 7, 2007***

