

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND ALLIED PROFESSIONS
2020 HONORS AND AWARDS CEREMONY
VIRTUALLY PRESENTED

CEREMONY PROGRAM

OFFICE OF THE DEAN

PEAK PERFORMER

PAT KAEMMERLING

Degrees

- x B.S.Ed.Middle Grade Education, Western Carolina University, 1971

Professional Accomplishments

- x Western Carolina University Distinguished Service Award, 2019
- x University's Foundation Board from 2011 and on the Board of Trustees from 2011-2019
- x Founding member of the Peachtree Corners Business Association
- x Board member of the National Federation of Independent Business in Georgia

Pat Kaemmerling earned her bachelor's degree in middle grades education at WCU in 1971, arriving as a first-generation college student from her family's farm in Caser. Upon graduation, she taught ninth grade math and science in Fayetteville for three years before moving to Atlanta to pursue a business career. Pat quickly worked her way in to sales and management with various national companies, including Yegen Associates in Atlanta as its regional vice president for sales and marketing, and with the American Red Cross, where she served as the director of donor resource development. Pat and her husband David own and operate Access Computers, a network integrator with a nationwide client base.

SCHOOL OF TEACHING AND LEARNING

PEAK PERFORMER

DR. COLLIN WEBSTER

Degrees

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CAPPS FAMILY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Dr. Barbara Capps established this scholarship in memory of her parents, Robert and Helen Capps, who valued education and instilled a love of learning and reading in their daughter. Dr. Capps ~~retired~~ retired from WCU in 1994 after 25 years of service.

Recipient: Bailey Brooke Tavel

Middle Grades Social Studies

TAFT & MALVER BOTNER SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship was endowed through the generosity of Taft and Malvery Botner in recognition of their lifelong careers in education. Dr. Botner was involved in education for 48 years, including public schools and at Western Carolina University, where he served in several roles, including Dean of the College of Education. Mrs. Botner was ~~an~~ a public teacher for 30 years, including 12 years at Camp Laboratory School.

Recipient: Brittney Audibert

Elementary Education

Jade Bober

Elementary Education

Allison Hedman

Elementary Education

Molly Keith

Elementary Education

Emily Grace Nykito

Elementary Education

Rebekah Waldrop

Elementary Education

TEACHER INCENTIVE SCHOLARSHIP

Established through multiple gifts, this scholarship provides support for students who are majoring in one of WCU's teacher education programs.

Recipient: Bailey Dickerson

Inclusive Education

DANIEL L. SADDLER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The family of Daniel L. Saddler offers this scholarship in honor of his life and the extraordinary contributions he made to students in WCU's Counseling Program from 1972 until his death in 1989. Dan taught his students to trust themselves, accept others, listen and keep an open mind. This scholarship represents a celebration of his life and the positive influence he brought to his students, colleagues and the counseling profession.

Recipient: Chelsea Cummings

Clinical Mental Health Counseling

GUY & JO EDITH BURCHFIELD SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship was established in memory of Dr. Guy Burchfiel ('49, '53) a life-educator and supporter of WCU, by his wife Mrs. Jo Edith Burchfiel ('51, '53). Dr. Burchfiel was a lifelong educator and supporter of Western Carolina University.

Recipient: Jaime Hooper

Educational Leadership

OUTSTANDING COURAGEOUS LEADERSHIP AWARD

The Outstanding Courageous Leadership Award is given to candidates in the Master's in School Administration or the Post Master's Certificate in Public School Leadership programs.

Candidates are nominated and selected by faculty in these two programs based on the following criteria: leads by example, is a highly reflective learner, is action oriented (applies learning), and supports learning of others.

Recipient: Paul Garrity

Master in School Administration

HOYT AND LORA PONDER SCHOLARSHIP

Endowed through the generosity of Hoyt and Lora Ponder, this scholarship encourages well-qualified students to enter the field of early childhood education. Hoyt, worked with and for people of all ages with developmental disabilities, served as director of the Developmental Evaluation Center at WCU for 25 years prior to his retirement. Lora worked for more than 30 years with and for young children, including those with disabilities in preschools and public school kindergartens. She worked in Jackson County schools for 24 years before her retirement.

Recipient: Emily Stevens

Birth - Kindergarten

DIXIE L. & MILES S. MCGINTY SCHOLARSHIP

Richard and Ouida Dowis endowed this scholarship in memory of Dixie L. & Miles S. McGinty to provide support in alternating years for doctoral students in educational leadership and undergraduate foreign language students who are participating in study abroad. Dixie L. McGinty, PhD., was an associate Professor of Research in Educational Leadership and Foundations. Miles S. McGinty, Ed.D., was an instructor in German in the Modern Foreign Languages Department. In their over ten years at WCU, they had a positive and lasting influence on students, colleagues and the community.

Recipient: Cindy Messer

Educational Leadership

DR. KIRK SMITH SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship was established in memory of Dr. Kirk Smith for his contribution and love of

teaching and WCU. Dr. Kirk Smith was a (5) 9914 (6) 2000 (and) 7 (5) 111 (g) 2.20.002 (tag) 3 (e) 3 (nd) 8 (A) 74 (83) (m) J. 06 E 25 Td - in t) 7.1 (her.9 (r)-7t)-7 he) 1 (p-7 (

OUTSTANDING STUDENT TEACHER IN MATHEMATICS EDUCATION AWARD

Outstanding Student Teacher or Intern Award recipients receive a letter of recognition and their name placed on a plaque which is on permanent display in the Department of Mathematics and Computer Science.

Recipient: Amanda Fonseca

Mathematics Education

OUTSTANDING SCHOLAR IN MATHEMATICS EDUCATION AWARD

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SHARON DOLE PHD SCHOLARSHIP

Endowed through the generosity of Dr. Sharon Dole, this scholarship provides support for graduate students in the Special Education Program with a gifted, creative and innovative education track. Dr. Dole is a retired faculty member of the College of Education and Allied Professions.

Recipient: Ansley Parker

Inclusive Education

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JOHN H. WAKELEY SCHOLARSHIP

In honor of her husband John "Jack" Wakeley, ~~Mr.~~ Mrs. Wakeley established this scholarship to support psychology students. Wakeley served as WCU's Vice Chancellor for

MARYALICE GAMBILL SHUFORD AND DR. DAVID F. SHUFORD ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

Established in 2013, the Mary Alice Gambill Shuford and Dr. David F. Shuford Endowed Scholarship is awarded to a deserving student majoring in education.

Recipient: Angela Hair

Special Education MAT

JACKSON COUNTY TEACHER EDUCATION ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP

Ron Mau endowed this annual scholarship to honor his wife Rochelle, who is a retired Jackson County, NC teacher. This annual scholarship provides scholarship supports students pursuing a degree in education in hopes to ensure finances are not a road block in helping students pursue a career in education.

Recipient: Zoe Alvarez

English Education

DR. JANICE H.