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**Georgia United Credit Union and Mitsubishi Electric Classic present \$10,000 to GCPS Foundation:
Five graduates receive Young Leaders Scholarship thanks to community support**

Five members of **Gwinnett County Public Schools’ (GCPS)** Class of 2018 have been recognized as recipients of the **2018 Young Leaders Scholarship**, successfully turning their work in the classroom and community into cash for college. **Bailey Curtis** of **Mill Creek High School**; **Hannah Roebuck** of **Parkview High School**; **Maggie Grace YanYan Simmons** of **Grayson High School**; **Shannon Davis** of **Peachtree Ridge High School**; and **Reina Mitchom** of **Archer High School** are this year’s honorees. Each graduate will receive a \$2,000 scholarship thanks to **Georgia United Credit Union (GUCU)** and the **Mitsubishi Electric Classic** who combined forces to donate \$10,000 to the **Gwinnett County Public Schools Foundation**.

Sponsored by the Executive Women’s Day Forum of the Mitsubishi Electric Classic, Georgia United Credit Union, and the Gwinnett County Public Schools Foundation, the Young Leaders Scholarship recognizes female GCPS graduates who distinguished themselves as community volunteers, entrepreneurs, or school leaders. Since 2014, 17 Gwinnett graduates have received the scholarships, advancing to colleges such as the University of Georgia, Georgia Institute of Technology, Columbia University, University of Chicago, Clemson University, Brigham Young University, and the University of Miami.



Pictured left to right: Kim Wall, GUCU; Donna Zimmer, GCPSFF; Kelly Herndon Patterson, GCPSFF; Monte Ortel, Mitsubishi Electric Classic

“Georgia United takes great pride in being an active and responsible member of the communities we serve and believe giving back is not only the right way, but the only way,” said **Kim Wall, director of Business & Community Development, Georgia United Credit Union**. “As a business partner in education, we want to empower students to become successful, productive citizens, enrich lives and advance financial literacy.”

Monte Ortel, who serves as the **Mitsubishi Electric Classic tournament director**, says the Classic is proud of the work it’s done over the years. “The Mitsubishi Electric Classic is honored to support the Young Leaders Scholarship program through our Executive Women’s Day Forum,” Ortel said. “Since its inception in 2013, the Mitsubishi Electric Classic has donated more than \$2 million in support of charitable organizations in Gwinnett County and the greater metro Atlanta area.”

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Georgia United Credit Union

For over 20 years, Georgia United Credit Union has offered an annual high school scholarship to members. Named for the credit union's founder and notable board members, the program offers an opportunity for students to showcase their scholastic achievements and creativity through a video competition. For more about these scholarships go to <https://gucu.org/savings-checking/young-member-programs/high-school-scholarships>

Mitsubishi Electric Classic

The Mitsubishi Electric Classic is an official event on the PGA TOUR Champions scheduled for April 15-21, 2019. This 54-hole golf tournament features 78 PGA TOUR Champions professionals competing for a \$1.8 million purse at the prestigious TPC Sugarloaf in Duluth, Georgia. The event will benefit local charities through the Gwinnett Championship Foundation, Inc. For more information, visit www.mitsubishielectricclassic.com

Gwinnett County Public Schools Foundation Fund, Inc.

The **Gwinnett County Public Schools Foundation Fund, Inc.** is a nonprofit 501C3 charitable organization benefitting academic initiatives of Gwinnett County Public Schools. To learn more this and other initiatives of the Gwinnett County Public Schools Foundation Fund, access www.gcps-foundation.org or call 678-301-7287.