


The Detroit College Promise

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Support The Detroit College Promise

- We are a tax exempt nonprofit based on the successful Kalamazoo Promise. Our mission is to repopulate the City of Detroit and restore the greatness of the Detroit Public Schools (DPS) by offering college scholarships just for living in Detroit and graduating from a DPS school. As we raise more funds, we plan to increase the scholarship until we offer up to 4 years of full tuition at any Michigan public college or university. We began with a pilot program for Cody High School's class of 2009, and beginning with the class of 2011, offered partial scholarships to **all** graduates at **all** DPS high schools.

Details:

- DPS students in grades K-9 register online at www.DetroitCollegePromise.org (click on **Student Login**, then **New Student**, then fill out the form and click **Save**) or with a one page form. To be eligible, students must be both a Detroit resident and be enrolled in a DPS high school from December 1 of their 9th grade year through graduation, and register by December 1 of grade 9. Seniors must complete the FAFSA and our simple paperwork. There are **no other requirements**.
- Students who register receive (a) monthly emails about our scholarship, other scholarships, financial aid and other college readiness activities by other community groups; (b) in grade 9 or earlier, a scholarship certificate, letters of encouragement from President Obama and others, and college related items; (c) when they have completed the application process as seniors, they receive a gift package and an invitation to a DCP Scholars Reception.
- For the class of 2011, there are 159 graduates who "claimed" a scholarship. From our funds, we are awarding \$45,000 in scholarships, and have helped these students receive **\$1.4 million** in grants from all sources. Our maximum award was \$500 for one year. We provided a book award of \$100 for the 65 students whose tuition was entirely covered by financial aid related grants. We hope to expand the award to \$500 for 2 years for the class of 2012, and to award more scholarships.

How can I help?

- **Sign up** for our monthly email newsletter by visiting www.DetroitCollegePromise.org and clicking on the link in the lower right corner.
- **Spread the word** to your friends and colleagues.
- **Volunteer** to work in schools, at community events, in our office, or on your own to help Detroit's students.
- **Help us provide more scholarship dollars** by clicking on the **Contribute** button on our website. 100% of contributions are used for scholarships. All of our overhead is paid by sponsors.
- For other ideas, click on the link "How can I help?" on our Home Page, lower right, or contact us at (248) 646-3269 or DetroitCollegePromise@gmail.com.