



## Abernathy Scholars

### **Betty S. Abernathy Memorial Scholarship in Science Education**

Betty S. Abernathy was a well-respected high school science teacher who taught for most of her career at Fike High School in Wilson County, North Carolina. She was a leader in the state in science education and instrumental in the formation of the North Carolina Science Teachers Association.

The Betty S. Abernathy Memorial Scholarship in Science Education was established through a bequest in the will of Ms. Abernathy to be awarded to deserving students pursuing a degree in the area of Science Education through the College of Education at East Carolina University and who wish to pursue a career as a science educator.

The \$2,500 (\$1,250 for each of two semesters) scholarship will be awarded to deserving students who meet the following criteria:

- Acceptance to attend East Carolina University
- Academic merit – at least a 3.0 high school GPA
- Demonstrated commitment to the study of and a career in science education

Scholarship recipient(s) will be referred to as Abernathy Scholars and will agree to be ambassadors for the Science Education program area in such capacity as representing Science Education at designated University and College of Education events and in assisting in future student recruitment efforts.

The scholarship award shall be for one academic year (two semesters). At the discretion of the Abernathy Scholars Selection Committee, the scholarship may be renewed as long as the recipient continues to meet the eligibility requirements.

**To apply for the Betty S. Abernathy Memorial Scholarship in Science Education please submit the attached application and requested materials by January 31, 2008:**

The scholarship will be officially awarded at the College of Education's Annual Scholarship Awards Ceremony in the Spring of 2008.

Please submit applications to:

Yolonda Newsome  
Department of Mathematics and Science Education  
Flanagan 342  
East Carolina University  
Greenville, NC 27858

For further questions, please contact Dr. Ron Preston at the address above, by calling 252-328-9355, or by e-mailing [prestonr@ecu.edu](mailto:prestonr@ecu.edu).

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### Directions:

- Please follow directions carefully and complete the application form fully.
- Print or type all information.
- Include three (3) references in sealed envelopes with the completed form. References must be confidential.
- Include high school transcript.
- Include proof of acceptance to attend East Carolina University.

Return or mail the completed application materials by January 31, 2008 to:

Yolonda Newsome  
Department of Mathematics and Science Education  
Flanagan 342  
East Carolina University  
Greenville, NC 27858

### I. Personal Data:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

### II. Academic Data:

\_\_\_\_\_ I am applying as an incoming Freshman at East Carolina University

High School: \_\_\_\_\_ Counselor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

High School GPA (4.0 scale) \_\_\_\_\_ Weighted GPA \_\_\_\_\_ Class Rank \_\_\_\_\_

Best SAT/ACT Score \_\_\_\_\_ Dates(s) of SAT/ACT Exam(s) \_\_\_\_\_

**III. Additional Questions:**

A. List organizations in which you have participated during your high school career. Include any offices held. List honors, awards, and/or recognition's you have received.

B. Describe your professional goals.

D. Explain why you believe you should become an Abernathy Scholar.

I hereby give permission to the Abernathy Scholars Selection Committee to examine my application. I also verify the information I have provided is accurate to the best of my knowledge.

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Signature

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Date