



**Gary Educational Development Foundation, Inc.
Words of Encouragement for the Class of 2020**

Congratulations to the esteemed Class of 2020!

We salute the students of Gary Community School Corporation's West Side Leadership Academy and Edison Learning's Theodore Roosevelt Career and Technical Academy. You've performed valiantly and deserve to be commended. The Gary Educational Development Foundation, Inc. will bestow upon you the highest honor; our scholarship awards. We will list our scholars with dignity and let the world know how very proud you've made your teachers, parents, families, community and the City of Gary. We're proud of your current accomplishments and the many more to come!

Graduates of 2020, you are leading the charge in history to change inequalities and to bring forth justice for all. Your lives matter and whatever the struggle, you are making your mark. We encourage you to walk with confidence as you pursue higher education as well as advocate for change politically. Your voice is important, and your concerns are valid. The world is your stage, so walk with your heads held high towards your goals.

We, at GEDF, are proud of your accomplishments and encourage you to successfully achieve your dreams as well as your educational and career goals. You earned the scholarships we gladly award you for your hard work in high school. You are the leaders setting the example for those who follow in your footsteps!

Please join us in thanking the 2020 GEDF Scholarship Committee; Delphia Shelton, Dr. Myrtle V. Campbell, Delores Rice, Nellie Moore, Shirley Davis, GlenEva Dunham, Patricia Turner and Edward B. Lumpkin, Sr. We are especially grateful to your counselors and staff at West Side Leadership Academy and the Roosevelt Career and Technical Academy for all their dedication to assisting the class of 2020 with preparing scholarship and college applications!

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