

### The Becky Walker Scholarship Foundation

Ms. Becky Walker was a proud member of the Spoto High School community for six years, serving as the Head of the Science Department from 2015-2018. She was a career professional holding several jobs in accounting, retail ownership, sales management and real estate. When Becky was presented the opportunity to transition her career to teaching and to help young adults, she enthusiastically accepted the challenge, enjoying each one of her associates and students along the way. Becky was one of six finalists for Hillsborough Teacher of the Year in 2016—one of her proudest professional moments. Sadly, Becky transitioned on February 3, 2018 after an endearing and courageous battle with pancreatic cancer.

In her loving memory, Becky's family and friends are pleased to initiate numerous scholarships to Title One high schools around the Tampa Bay area- currently serving Spoto or Leto High Schools where the students receive \$18,500 total through our partnership with Florida Pre-Paid toward collegiate studies. For consideration of the award, the following information below is required for application.

#### **Qualifications for Consideration:**

- Informational Application (attached) Four Year 3.1 aggregate GPA on a 4.0 scale and successful graduation from Spoto High School or Leto High School.
- One Recommendation Letter from a High School Teacher.
- One Letter showing passion for extra-curricular activities and/or community service.
- Student applicants will write a brief essay answering one (1) of the following two topics with an emphasis on academic achievement and aspiration:
- o Pick an experience from your own life and explain how it has influenced your personal growth, your community involvement and what you hope to do in the future.
- o Describe the areas in your life where you demonstrated leadership and overcame obstacles either through your school, social, or family life.

Application deadline: April 15, 2025. Please submit to Joey Brandes at <u>joey@beckywalkerscholarship.org</u>.

## See Following Page for Application Form

## Past Winners:

2019: Haley Wathey

2020: Amy Lamas and Isaias Martinez

2021: Jashly Garcia and Asia Nobles

2022: Jacob Garbett and Kaye Gutierrez

2023: Kiera Taylor, Apsara Touch, Abby Beckton, Lauryn Tanner

2024: Savannah Swiebocki, Isabella Ruiz, Erick Santos, Vincent Nguyen

#### **The Becky Walker Scholarship Application**

# General Information: Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date/Place of Birth: Address: Cell Phone: E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_\_ U.S. Citizen: \_\_\_\_\_ Marital Status: \_\_\_\_\_ Education: Elementary School: Middle School: High School: High School GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ High School Weighted GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ High School Scholastic Awards: \_\_\_\_\_ College Courses to date: Other Special Schooling: Fluent Foreign Languages: Academic Information: College Attending: Projected Major: \_\_\_\_\_ Listed Other Scholarships Received with Monies you will receive:\_\_\_\_\_ Projected Annual College Expenses in dollars: Tuition: Books: \_\_\_\_\_Room/Board: \_\_\_\_\_ Meals/Meal Plan: \_\_\_\_\_ Travel: \_\_\_\_\_ Personal: Other (please explain): Total (all Expenses):

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_