



LAURELMEAD EMPLOYEE EDUCATION FUND

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL

Scholarship Award Presentation

WEDNESDAY, MAY 20

AT 7:30PM

IN THE ODEON

The LEEF Judges will be introducing the 2026 scholarship recipients. A reception immediately follows in the Great Room.

2026 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

CLAUDIA ALDANA

Claudia, our Dining Room Manager, is majoring in Hospitality Management at Johnson and Wales University.

KATHERINE ALDANA

Katherine, the daughter of Claudia Aldana, will be majoring in Nursing at Rhode Island College.

SONIA ALDANA MORALES

Sonia Aldana Morales, the daughter of Francisco and Maria (Kitchen), will be continuing her Parent Care Coordinator and Doula Training.

EMILIA BAKOWSKI

Emilia (Dining Services) will continue her studies in Cosmetology at Empire Beauty School.

KIYA BEAUCHEMIN

Kiya, the daughter of Crystal (Kitchen) will be majoring in Marine Biology at the University of Hawaii at Manoa.

JADASON BRITO

Jadason (Dining Services) will be attending Lincoln Technical Institution to pursue studies in HVAC.

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ANDRE CRUZ MONTEIRO

Andre (Dining Services) is majoring in Communication and Media, with a focus on film, at the Community College of Rhode Island.

MELANIE GONZALEZ

Melanie (Dining Services) is majoring in Biology at the University of Rhode Island, with a minor in Spanish.

STASHA MEDEIROS

Stasha, daughter of Gabe Medeiros (Maintenance), is working towards her Interprofessional Health Sciences Ph. D at the University of Vermont.

SABRINA MIGUEL

Sabrina, daughter of Sandra Leclerc (Activities), is majoring in Early Childhood Education at Bristol Community College.

JORDAN MONTOYA

Jordan (Dining Services) is majoring in Political Science at the University of Rhode Island.

TEMI OLUBOWALE

Temi (Dining Services) is majoring in Economics and French at Amherst College.

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TOMI OLUBOWALE

Tomi (Fitness Dept.) is majoring in Clinical Psychology at Tufts University.

DJAMILA ROSARIO

Djamila (a.k.a Lena), our Dining Room Assistant Manager, is working towards her associates degree in Dental Hygiene at the Community College of Rhode Island.

JAYRICK SPENCER

Jayrick (Dining Services) is currently taking general courses at the Community College of Rhode Island. Jayrick continues to be passionate about fashion..

BEATRICE SPONDIKE

Beaux (Fitness Department) will be majoring in English at Smith College.

EDNILSON TAVARES

Ednilson "Eddy" (Security) is continuing his Drama studies at The Julliard School.

NERIAH VEGA RIVERA

Neriah (Dining Services) is majoring in Accounting at Stonehill College.

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LIA VIDAL ROMAN

Lia, daughter of Juana (Housekeeping), will be majoring in Neurosurgery at Harvard University.

ANAYA WILSON

Anaya (Fitness Department) will be majoring in Biology at Skidmore College.

a little note to say **THANK YOU!**

"I truly appreciate your kindness, belief in students, and commitment to helping others achieve their dreams. Thank you for investing in my future."

"I believe that having the opportunity to take part in post-secondary education had shaped me into a more responsible, disciplined version of myself. I am beyond grateful for the support that I have received from the Laurelmead community."

"Without LEEF and all of the support it brings, these last few years would have been unimaginably difficult to get through. I am more than thankful for everything!"

"This scholarship has been so helpful to me and allows me to stay focused on the curriculum rather than private affairs."

"I am deeply grateful for the opportunity to apply for a LEEF scholarship and for your continued investment in individuals committed to serving others."

WHAT IS LEEF?

LEEF, the Laurelmead Employee Education Fund, was founded in 2006 by a group of Laurelmead residents who wanted to express their appreciation to the staff for their exceptional service. The fund provides scholarships for employees, and the children of employees, seeking a higher education.

LEEF is a tax-exempt organization under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Contributions to LEEF may be deductible under section 170 of the Code. We are classified as a public charity.

WAYS TO DONATE

Many residents make donations in celebration of a special event like a friend's birthday, an anniversary, or in memory of a dear friend who will be missed. Donations are also made as a special "thank you" to staff members for a job well done.

LEEF cocktail parties are the perfect way to show your support while enjoying an evening of delicious hors d'oeuvres and socializing with your neighbors.

Fundraising events such as bingo and holiday raffles are held periodically throughout the year.

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