

## GUEST COLUMN

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From: Mayor James E. "Jamie" Mayo

### **2017 Entergy-City of Monroe Community Service Scholarship Recipients**

I want extend my personal congratulations to the *2017 Entergy-City of Monroe Community Service Scholarship* winners. Please join me in saluting the following students: Garesha Woods and Jamie Brown (Carroll HS), Abigail Wise and Joshua England (Neville HS), Anna Mashaw and Thomas Futch (Ouachita Christian), Lilly Saye and Tyler Pommier (River Oaks), Katherine McJenkins and Justin McWilliams (St. Frederick), and Jamya Allen and Keldrick Ward (Wossman HS).

Each of these students was selected by their school officials at Carroll, Neville, Ouachita Christian, River Oaks, St. Frederick and Wossman high school. To be eligible for this scholarship, a student must be a graduation senior attending one of the six aforementioned schools, live in the City of Monroe, maintain a minimum 3.0 GPA, have a minimum 21 ACT Score, perform acts of community service, complete and essay, and attend a Louisiana college or university. Our staff gives scholarship applications to school counselors in February of each year. So, make a note to check with your counselor if you know someone who may be eligible next year.

My staff and I created this scholarship to show our support for education, inspire our youth and to help motivate our students to stay in Louisiana for their higher education. Thanks to support from Entergy, Community Outreach of Ouachita, the local business community, and those who participate in our annual Scholarship Scramble Golf Tournament, over the past 15 years, we have been blessed to award a total of 175 \$500 scholarships. That totals \$87,500 in scholarships to graduating high school seniors who have excelled in the classroom and in the field of community service.

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