



## DR. LEONARD E. & LOUISE A. PLACHTA PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP



DR. LEONARD E. PLACHTA  
President 1992-2000, Central Michigan University

Established in 2011 by Louise A. Plachta, this scholarship is to honor the memory of her late husband, Dr. Leonard E. Plachta, who served as president of Central Michigan University from 1992 – 2000. During his time at CMU, Dr. Plachta played an instrumental role in pioneering Michigan's charter school movement and was integral in CMU's authorization of the first charter school in the state in 1994. Today, CMU is one of the largest university authorizers of charter public schools in the nation.

Both Dr. and Mrs. Plachta were born and raised in the city of Detroit. In order to give back to the community from which they came and provide inspiration and support to charter high school graduates, the Dr. Leonard E. Plachta scholarship was established. The scholarship is offered annually to a student who is graduating from a Detroit charter school authorized by CMU and will be attending CMU full time after graduation, or is currently a full time student at CMU.

### SELECTION CRITERIA

#### TO APPLY:

- Candidate must be graduating, or have graduated, from a charter public school authorized by Central Michigan University located in the city of Detroit, Michigan.
- Candidate must be attending CMU.
- Candidate must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.

#### SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

- A completed scholarship application.  
(An electronic version is available online at [www.TheCenterForCharters.org/SpiritOfTheFuture](http://www.TheCenterForCharters.org/SpiritOfTheFuture))
- A recommendation from a teacher or school administrator.
- Your school transcript.
- One page, single-spaced essay relating to the topic: an event or person that has had an impact on you and how it/they affected your future ambitions.

## THE GOVERNOR JOHN ENGLER CENTER FOR CHARTER SCHOOLS SCHOLARSHIP

The Governor John Engler Center for Charter Schools at Central Michigan University is proud of the accomplishments of the students in the schools chartered by Central Michigan University. To support their continued success in their educational journey, the Center established a scholarship. This scholarship is for a high school graduate of a CMU-authorized charter public school to attend CMU.

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*The Selection Committee may choose to interview top candidates. Scholarships are contingent upon availability of funds.*