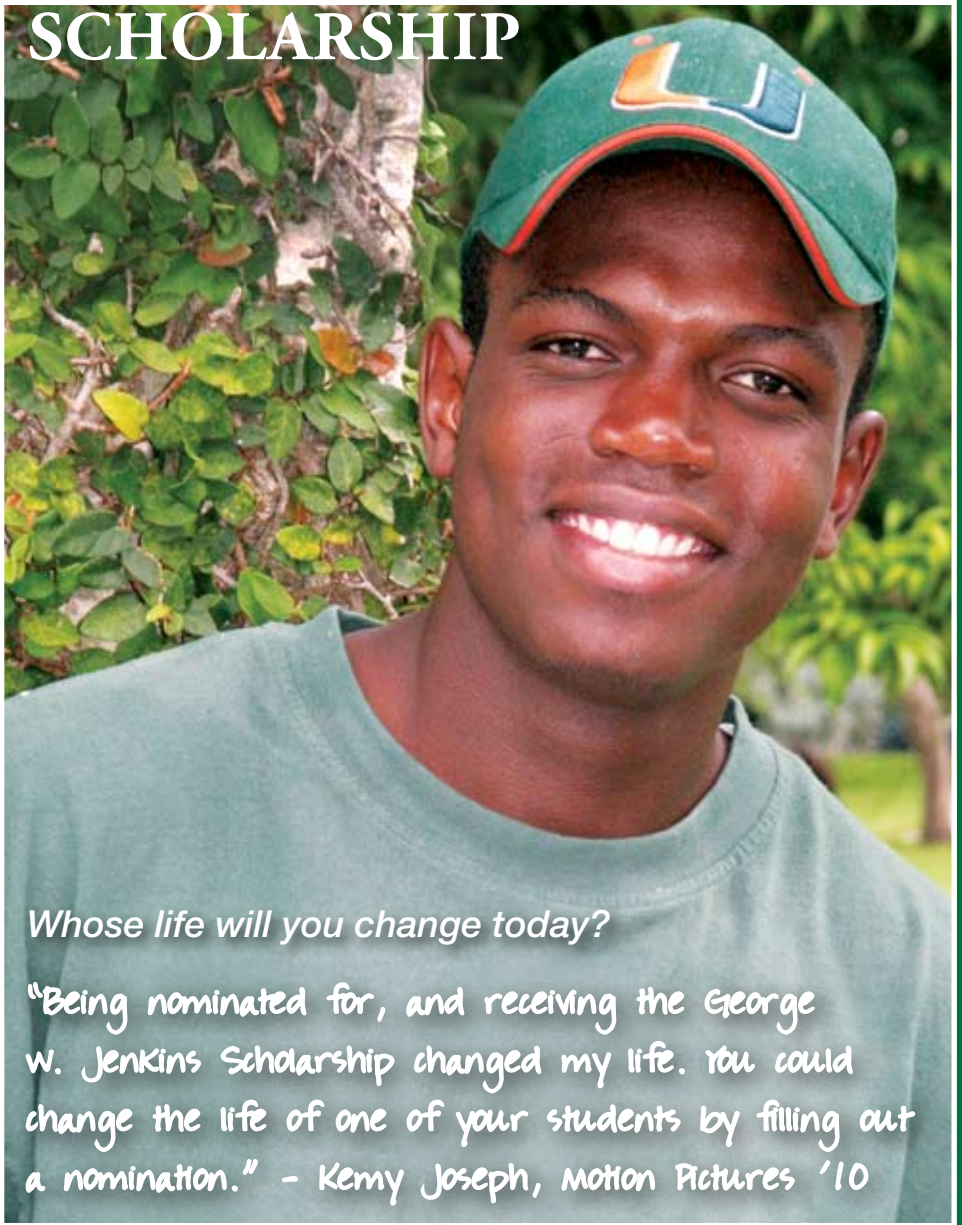


# THE GEORGE W. JENKINS SCHOLARSHIP



*Whose life will you change today?*

*"Being nominated for, and receiving the George W. Jenkins Scholarship changed my life. You could change the life of one of your students by filling out a nomination." - Kemy Joseph, Motion Pictures '10*

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## SCHOLARSHIP



**Guidance counselors** play a vital role in helping students make their educational goals an affordable reality. The George W. Jenkins Scholarship, funded by Publix Super Markets Charities, is considered one of the premier scholarships available at the University of Miami.



This four-year scholarship is awarded to students based on academic merit, financial need and an essay that demonstrates a personal history of overcoming adversity. The award includes tuition and fees, on-campus room and board, books and supplies and a \$1,500 stipend per semester. At UM, that totals more than \$50,000 annually.

The Jenkins Scholarship is a unique opportunity open only to students graduating from high schools in Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, Alabama and Tennessee. To be considered for this scholarship, student candidates must be nominated by their guidance counselor.

### SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA

**Residency:** Open only to U.S. citizens who are residents of Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, Alabama and Tennessee, graduating from a high school within their home state and enrolling full-time at the University of Miami.

**Academics:** Minimum weighted GPA of 3.75 on a 4.0 scale and a well-rounded college preparatory curriculum.

**Personal History:** Participation in school or community activities, a strong work ethic and **a history of overcoming significant adversity.**

**Financial need:** High financial need, as determined through the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).



## HOW TO APPLY



The following materials must be submitted to the University of Miami Scholarship Committee by December 1.



- Completed application for Undergraduate Admission
- Jenkins Scholarship Counselor Recommendation (to be completed by the guidance counselor)
- FAFSA - Free Application for Federal Student Aid (to the designated processing center by February 1)
- Official high school transcripts
- SAT or ACT scores
- Three letters of recommendation (one from a guidance counselor and two from teachers, principals, community leaders or employers) describing the student's academic promise, extracurricular activities and **the adversity he or she has overcome.**
- Personal Statement from the student addressing all of the following points in 500 words or less, with significant emphasis on the third point.
  1. Explain why you wish to attend the University of Miami.
  2. Describe how receiving the George W. Jenkins Scholarship would impact your life.
  3. Describe any special circumstances, specifically any hardship, you have overcome.

### **Submit all nominations for the George W. Jenkins Scholarship to:**

University of Miami  
George W. Jenkins Scholarship Committee  
P.O. Box 248025  
Coral Gables, Florida 33124-4616

or

University of Miami  
George W. Jenkins Scholarship Committee  
1252 Memorial Drive  
Ashe 132  
Coral Gables, FL 33146

or

Fax the nomination form to 305-284-6605

*Recipients of these scholarships will be known as **George W. Jenkins Scholars**. The scholarship is subject to revision pending receipt of any grant, scholarship or prepaid tuition and/or housing aid not anticipated at the time the award is made. In order for the scholarship to be renewed, recipients must complete 12 credit hours per semester and maintain a 3.0 GPA at the University of Miami.*

# George W. Jenkins



The George W. Jenkins Scholarship program was established through the generosity of Publix Super Markets Charities, Inc., and the University of Miami in honor of Publix founder George W. Jenkins. The scholarship is awarded to high school graduates from Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, Alabama and Tennessee with strong academic credentials, significant financial need and a history of overcoming adversity.

George W. Jenkins, founder of Publix Super Markets, came to Ybor City, FL, in 1925 with only \$9 in his pocket. At age 17, he began his career as a broom pusher and store clerk at Piggly Wiggly Grocery. Jenkins quickly earned a promotion but was distraught when an absent owner purchased the store and refused to meet with him. A true self-starter, Jenkins bought a vacant space next door and opened the first Publix Food Store in 1930.

As Jenkins expanded his grocery chain, he maintained the belief that Publix stores should be places where “customers find it a pleasure to shop and employees find it a pleasure to work.” Today, Publix is the largest employee-owned supermarket chain in the United States, with over 900 stores - a testament to Jenkins’ strong work ethic and desire to achieve. It is these qualities the George W. Jenkins Scholarship programs wishes to encourage and reward in today’s students.



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