



3 islands 3 scholarships

The Abacos

New Providence

Long Island

Thanks to the inspiring generosity of the Fair family, and in memory of their beloved wife and mother Sylvia, three scholarships are being offered to deserving Bahamian students from New Providence, the Abacos and Long Island.

A St Andrew's education can drastically improve a young person's life chances. These scholarships will cover the final four years of our programme, seeing students choose from a programme of International and Bahamian GCSEs before completing the International Baccalaureate Diploma: the gold standard of pre-college education.

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To be eligible for consideration, students must:

- Be a Bahamian citizen
- Have attended a Government School for at least two years preceding their application
- Have lived and schooled predominantly in one of the three islands specified above
- Be at least fourteen years of age by August 31, 2021
- Have a GPA of 3.30 or above
- Have a demonstrable history of service to their community

Deadline for applications: Friday May 21st, 2021

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Building a diverse community of lifelong learners to be a force for positive change, through ethics and excellence



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Sylvia Fair (nee Cartwright) was born in Nassau, in 1947, of Long Island parentage, the eighth of ten children. We often commented that she had 'good numbers' as she was the eighth child born on the eighth day of the eighth month. She passed away in 2020 and is greatly missed by her family and friends. What was most paramount in her life were her family and "her" Bahamas.

She attended Sacred Heart School (a primary school at that time) and Xavier's (then an all-girls high school). It was in those early days, inspired by the nuns, that her love of education took root. Later, she earned a scholarship to Elizabeth Seton College in Yonkers, New York where she experienced her first Thanksgiving celebration. From that time on, Thanksgiving was always special to her and she passed this tradition on to her children.

Throughout her forty nine years of marriage, motherhood and elderhood, she never forgot how formative her education had been in terms of her character and values. Her children and grandchildren have all attended St. Andrew's School.

Some of her greatest moments of satisfaction in her later years were the gifts of scholarships to St. Andrew's School students, most recently to Don Daxon, who hailed from Crooked Island.

It is in this spirit that her husband, Ian and their three daughters wish to perpetuate her memory. By establishing a Scholarship Fund, for three Bahamian students, in Sylvia's name, it is hoped that we may always remember the value of a well-rounded education, how its discipline and character-strengthening form the backbone of our decisions and plans as we progress through life, as they did for her.

Sylvia recognized that a sound education provides the solid foundation for a productive and meaningful life, and that without it opportunities are limited from the outset. The three, four year, fully funded scholarships will be awarded to deserving students who otherwise might not have had the opportunity of a St. Andrew's School education. The students are to be chosen, one each, from Abaco, Long Island and New Providence, as these three islands were the nearest and dearest to Sylvia's heart and where she had the closest connections.

She never forgot where she came from and she never forgot the power of education in a child's life: a force for good in the world.

Ian, Nicole, Sasha and Kelly Fair.

