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Monroe-West Monroe Business & Professional Women Scholarship

2019-2020 Recipient: **Mary Hildebrand**

- Education Includes: SAINT FREDERICK HIGH SCHOOL
- ULM Class of: 2020

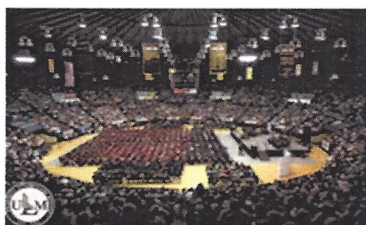
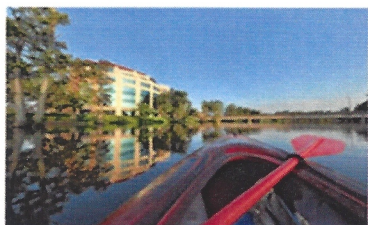
• **Message of Thanks**

Dear Monroe-West Monroe Business & Professional Women's Organization- I am writing to express my sincere gratitude for choosing me as the recipient of the Monroe-West Monroe Business & Professional Women's Organization Scholarship. I was thrilled to learn of my selection for this honor and I am deeply appreciative of your support. I am currently working towards my masters in occupational therapy with hopes of specializing in pediatrics at an outpatient clinic on in a school system setting and eventually receiving my Doctorate in Occupational Therapy. The financial assistance you provided will be of great help to me in paying my graduate school expenses, and it will allow me to concentrate more of my time for studying. Thank you again for your generosity and support. I promise you I will continue to work very hard and eventually give something back to others, both as a therapist and possibly a scholarship to future students like myself. Sincerely, Mary Margaret Mary Margaret Hildebrand

• **Personal Achievements**

I was born and raised in Monroe where I still reside with my husband of two years. I am an only child raised by two extremely hardworking parents. After graduating to St. Frederick Catholic High School in 2008, I went to Louisiana Tech University where I received a Bachelors of Arts in Psychology in 2012. At Louisiana Tech, I was involved in SGA, Union Board, Student Recruiter, Psychology Organization, Regal Blue dance team for 1 year, and the Vice President of Membership for Sigma Kappa Sorority. After graduating in 2012, I was selected to be a Leadership Consultant for Sigma Kappa Sorority where I traveled across the United States to several chapters helping with various situations. After completing my term for the sorority, I attended the University of Louisiana at Monroe to receive my Associates in Occupational Therapy. Once I received my degree and my license, I began working for Sunshine Pediatric Therapy where I work with children from birth to 18 years old who have a variety of different diagnoses such as Autism Spectrum Disorder, Dyslexia, ADHD, Sensory Processing Disorders, Downs Syndrome, Cerebral Palsy, and many more. I am an active member of Jesus the Good Shepherd Catholic Church.

• **Career Interest(s) and Goals**





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I am about to begin my second year of the Master of Occupational Therapy program at the University of Louisiana at Monroe. My long term goal is to specialize in pediatrics at an outpatient clinic or in a school system setting and eventually receiving my Doctorate in Occupational Therapy. I am very excited about the courses that I will be taking this fall as they pertain to pediatrics and how to evaluate, formulate treatment plans, and implement the interventions. Completing my courses for the next 5 semesters is my long and short term goals. The research project that I am completing with 3 other classmates will be to see if a sensory diet with a structured bedtime routine improves or does not improve sleep patterns and behaviors in children with sensory processing deficits. Thank you again for selecting me and allowing me to achieve my dreams. I will forever be grateful for your decision!

