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Eastern Tech senior named a semi-finalist by Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation

Prestigious program provides \$20,000 college scholarships to 150 Coca-Cola Scholars

Towson, MD – [Faith LeBrun](#), a senior at Eastern Technical High School, has been named one of 1,617 [Coca-Cola Scholar semifinalists](#) for 2022.

The Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation program honors students for their academic excellence, leadership, and service in their schools and communities. The semifinalists were selected from among more than 68,000 applicants from across the nation. Next, 250 semifinalists will advance to become regional finalists, and then 150 of the regional finalists will become Coca-Cola Scholars, receiving \$20,000 college scholarships.

LeBrun is president of Eastern Tech's Class of 2022; president of her school's National English Honor Society chapter; co-founder and editor-in-chief of EDEN, the school's first-ever literary magazine; and a leader of the school's Red Cross Society.

Enrolled in the Teacher Academy of Maryland program at Eastern Tech, LeBrun launched a [Better Minds Tutoring](#) business during the COVID-19 pandemic. As a project for her community leadership class at Eastern Tech, LeBrun's latest initiative is [Women Who Lead](#), a blog and podcast about the experiences, struggles, and achievements of female leaders.

In addition, LeBrun serves as a marketing advisor with the organization [Alumni Answers](#), through which students at prestigious universities share their strategies for academic success. LeBrun plans to attend a

four-year college and pursue a career in business, perhaps as a business consultant or entrepreneur, with some involvement in real estate.

“Faith is an intellectually curious young lady who is mature beyond her years,” said Stacey Kalwa, Eastern Tech’s English department chair. “She views things from multiple perspectives and approaches problems without preconceived notions.”

“I work with Faith daily in several capacities, and this girl is unstoppable,” said Erin Annis, Eastern Tech’s library media specialist (who serves as staff advisor to EDEN and the National English Honor Society and teaches LeBrun in an AP Research course). “She is a natural leader -- she is perceptive, forward-thinking, and the true definition of ‘girl-boss.’ She doesn't just come up with great ideas or acknowledge what needs to be done; she executes. She is one of a kind.”

A joint effort of Coca-Cola bottlers across the country and The Coca-Cola Company, the Coca-Cola Scholars Program is the largest corporate-sponsored, achievement-based scholarship program in the United States. With the addition of the 2022 class, the [Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation](#) will have provided more than 6,600 Coca-Cola Scholars nationwide with more than \$78 million in scholarships over the course of 34 years.

(Editor’s note: A photo of LeBrun accompanies this release. Photo credit: Edward Bauer.)

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