



Dr. Joseph Manch Scholarship Award

Lorena James



The **Dr. Joseph Manch Scholarship** is a \$1000 award named for and presented in honor of the former Superintendent of Buffalo Schools.

One who never shies away from difficult topics, Lorena is a whirlwind of enthusiasm moving seamlessly from project to project lifting up the people around her while building community.

A senior at Nichols School, Lorena has given back to many organizations here in Buffalo and around the globe. She runs an annual sale of hand stitched jewelry made by refugee women and accompanies it with informational programs. She has also sold hand-bagged teas in celebration of Tea Day with proceeds benefiting a not for profit in Nepal.

At Nichols, Lorena is one of only a handful of students to pursue AP, Advanced and Honors courses in all disciplines and take two languages, Chinese and Spanish. She created the Celebration Club at Nichols which educates and celebrates the many holidays there. In addition, she is a member of the Nichols Dance Ensemble and is the Lead Scout for their Robotics Team. And did we mention she maintains a 4.0 GPA?!

For her all around community giving spirit and dedication to make the world around her a better place, the NFJC is proud to present Lorena James with the Dr. Joseph A. Manch Scholarship Award.



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