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GTE FINANCIAL MAKES STUDENTS' ACADEMIC DREAMS A REALITY ONE PUTT AT A TIME AT 11TH ANNUAL STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP SCRAMBLE

TAMPA, FL, March 2024: Leading not-for-profit credit union GTE Financial is thrilled to host its 11th annual Scholarship Scramble Golf Tournament to raise funds for the GTE Student Scholarship program. The tournament will take place on Monday, March 25, at The Bayou Club. Registration opens at 10:30 AM, and the tournament will begin at noon.

"We are grateful to host our 11th annual scramble, continuing our support for GTE Financial's top fundraiser, the Student Scholarship program," says Steven Robinson, Vice President of Assurance and Consulting Services and Chief Audit Officer at GTE Financial. "The tournament is a fun and exciting event that brings everyone together to raise funds for local students who excel in academics as well as community involvement."

Robinson and his team have led the Scholarship Scramble since its inception, and it has now become the primary fundraiser for the Student Scholarship program. Every year, the program awards scholarships to several students who dedicate their time to academic pursuits and community involvement.

"In the last ten years, GTE Financial has awarded over \$985,000 in scholarships to local students. This year we will hit \$1 million in scholarship funds, a milestone worthy of celebration and a testament to our commitment in investing in local students," says Jennifer Maxfield, Senior Vice President and Chief Marketing and Impact Officer. "We take pride in perpetuating the yearly tradition of assisting students in realizing their aspirations and recognizing those who value philanthropy as much as we do. We are immensely grateful for the generosity of our new and returning sponsors and supporters, who back us every year."

Tournament participants can expect raffle prizes, food and drinks, festive surprises at select holes, an awards dinner, and more. Some sponsors of the Scholarship Scramble include Fiserv, Mastercard, Symmetry Lending, ALM First, JO Delotto, Kass Shuler, Allied Solutions and APG Electric.

To learn more about the 11th annual GTE Student Scholarship Program, please visit gtefinancial.org/scramble.

About GTE Financial

GTE Financial is a not-for-profit financial cooperative located throughout West Central Florida with \$2.9 billion in assets and 24 Community Financial Centers. Chartered in 1935, GTE Financial is the official credit union of the Tampa Bay Lightning and is locally owned and operated in the Tampa Bay area, serving more than 230,000 individuals and businesses. For more information on GTE Financial, visit gtefinancial.org.

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