

**The Eddie Holmes Legacy Endowment**  
UMS-Wright Preparatory School

Dear UMS-Wright Family,

We are excited to share with you our effort to establish the Eddie Holmes Legacy Endowment at UMS-Wright. Shortly before his death in 2003, friends of Coach Holmes expressed their wish that his life and legacy be remembered by future generations here at our school. Coach Holmes was very humbled by the thought that his name would be associated with UMS-Wright for years to come. And now the process has begun!

Our initial goal is to raise \$100,000 to start a new endowment in Coach Holmes' name by September 24, 2013. This will be the date of the first UMS-Wright Classic, a golf tournament benefiting the UMS-Wright Golf programs and the newly established Eddie Holmes Legacy Endowment. The Endowment will be used each year to provide a named scholarship for a rising senior, and it will also be used, if the funds are sufficient, to fund special projects around the UMS-Wright campus which will also bear Coach Holmes' name. We should all remember that Coach Holmes' influence extended far beyond athletics. It is our hope that the Endowment will continue to grow so that more students and teachers can once again benefit from the positive influence of our coach and friend. If \$100,000 is raised by September of 2013, the first Eddie Holmes Legacy Scholarship will be presented at the Upper School Awards Assembly in May 2014.

We can all remember what an impact Coach Holmes had on our lives. Not only did he coach us or our children on the basketball court or golf course, but he also prepared us for life past UMS-Wright by teaching us character, self-discipline, respect, and the value of a good education. He was proof that a good coach is always a good coach regardless of the sport or circumstances. In his 32 years at UMS-Wright, also his alma mater, he produced 14 state golf championships and outstanding records in both boys and girls basketball. He was selected as Coach of the Year eight times, and he was inducted into the UMS-Wright Athletic Hall of Fame, the Spring Hill College Hall of Fame, and the Alabama High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame.

Please join us as we honor the life and legacy of Coach Holmes by making a gift and returning the pledge card to UMS-Wright. Also, please contact the Advancement Office at 251.470.9039 or [jotts@ums-wright.org](mailto:jotts@ums-wright.org) if you are interested in participating in the golf tournament at Steelwood Country Club on September 24, 2013.

Thank you! We hope to see you soon.

Sincerely,



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