

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**  
**Minutes – Regular Board Meeting**  
**Monday, May 17, 2021**

The Board of Education of the Garfield Heights City School District met in regular session on Monday, April 19, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. with Mrs. Nichelle Daniels, President presiding

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Mrs. Daniels, Ms. King, Ms. Morrison

Absent: Mr. Juby

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Moved by Ms. King, seconded by Ms. Morrison to adopt the agenda as presented.

Ayes: Ms. King, Ms. Morrison, Mrs. Daniels

Nays: None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Moved by Ms. King, seconded by Ms. Morrison to approve the minutes from the Special Board Meeting of April 10, 2021, Special Board Meeting of April 12, 2021 and Regular Board Meeting of April 19, 2021, as presented.

Ayes: Ms. King, Ms. Morrison, Mrs. Daniels

Nays: None

Ms. Thomas entered the meeting at 6:04 P.M.

**BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Thank you for the privilege and honor it is to serve in this capacity for the Garfield Heights City Schools.

The Board of Education would like to commend everyone in the District for their safe, smooth, smart and significant contribution in making our return to in-person learning over the last several months a relatively routine process. While outwardly our District operations appeared to have run flawlessly, we on the Board of Education know full-well, that it was due to the careful planning and dedication to keeping everyone safe and sound. Your actions are recognizable, and we want to share our gratitude for everyone's hard work.

Because of all of these things, the Garfield Heights City Schools is very pleased to be able to hold a number of traditional year-end celebrations that were either cancelled, or greatly altered, last year. This includes a special opportunity for commencement at Rocket Mortgage Field House in June, which allows for a socially-distanced, but very memorable graduation opportunity. Prom, National Honor Society, Senior Awards, and various other activities at the Middle School and elementary schools are able to take place as well. We are happy for the students, staff and families. Please be sure to check the website for specific details on these events.

The Board of Education continues making the sound leadership of the Garfield Heights City Schools its top priority. We want to be the best versions of ourselves, in order to properly and wisely steer the ship-of-the-school district towards the fulfillment of our new mission, which is, “as the heart of the community, the GHCS fully prepares students to pursue their dreams and give back as engaged citizens and future leaders”. How are we doing this? We continue to put an emphasis on Board Governance. The Board has hosted several retreat opportunities so that we can collaboratively brainstorm for the future and discuss important topics. The Board has placed a distinct focus on equity training with the intent that each and every student, in their own unique capacities, can be successful in our District. Our professional development endeavors keep us training, cultivating new skills and dedicated to the students in our schools. I thank my colleagues on the Board of Education for their desire to see this District fulfill our new vision, which is to be a “premier educational institution, recognized throughout Ohio as fully preparing students to be leaders equipped with real world skills to contribute to a global society”.

We expect the highest standards for our students and our staff, and this Board expects the highest standards for ourselves. Remember, June 4th is the last day of school. Have a safe and enjoyable summer.

This concludes my report.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

### ***Cuyahoga Valley Career Center – Christine A. Kitson***

Yasmin Knox is recognized in April's Student Connection. Yasmin is an adult student from Garfield Heights & she is enrolled in CVCC's full-time Licensed Practical Nursing (LPN) program. Yasmin also serves as class president. She chose to enroll in CVCC's LPN program because of its exceptional reputation, as well as its central location and affordability.

CVCC has 12 students who qualified to compete in the Business Professional National Conference. Madisyn Mwonyonyi, in the Medical Administrative Specialist II program, is from Garfield Hts. Madisyn placed 7th in ICD-10-CM Medical Diagnostic Coding and is a National Qualifier.

The 2021 Senior Recognition Ceremony was held remotely. The video of the ceremony can be viewed at : [https://www.cvccworks.edu/highschool\\_home.aspx](https://www.cvccworks.edu/highschool_home.aspx)

CVCC's High School and Adult Education Dental Assisting Instructor, Ms. Lisa Theodore, was recently recognized by Fox 8 News “Thanks to Teachers” segment. Ms. Theodore has been teaching for 22 years.

CVCC instructor, Mr. Jerry Koenig, was recently selected by SkillsUSA State Board of Directors as the 2021 SkillsUSA Ohio Lifetime Achievement Award Recipient.

Congratulations to Michael Mandich, Daniel Zezena, and Nina Zivkovic, who were selected as recipients of the CVCC Distinguished Alumni Award. The celebration was captured on video by the Media Arts program.

Kyle Livengood, Information Technology Specialist, has been promoted to Technology Director.

Upcoming Events:

Wednesday, May 12 Last Day for Seniors

Thursday, May 27 6:30 p.m. Board of Education Meeting

Friday, May 28 Students' Last Day

### ***Student Activities - Ashley M. Thomas, M. Ed.***

Spring sports are nearing their conclusion as their state tournament games start this week or finished up last week.

Athletic related scholarships and major award winners: Joe Lenart won the Marlene Ziel Forever a Bulldog Scholarship and the Trey Lewis scholarship. Haley Sobocinski and Evan Robinson won the Bulldog Coaches Scholarship. Makail Cottingham and Treasure Vanzant Brown won the scholar athlete awards.

Major recent purchases include: port-o-potty rental for the baseball and softball fields and footballs for the 2021 season.

### ***Legislative Committee – Ashley M. Thomas, M. Ed. & Nichelle N. Daniels***

### ***Strategic Plan Committee – Millette King M. Ed. L.S.W. & Nichelle N. Daniels***

### ***Finance Committee***

### ***City Liaison – Millette King, M. Ed. L.S.W.***

The 2021 Memorial Day Parade will be held on May 31st and will kick off at 10:00am from Maple Leaf Elementary School. The parade will proceed down Turney to Granger where the route will turn to proceed through Jennings and Village at Marymount. The parade will conclude at the Garfield Hts. Civic Center.

The legislation to allow the rezoning of the Sunoco at the corner of Turney and Rockside passed during the primary election on May 4, 2021.

Congratulations to Garfield Hts. High School graduate A.J. Rose Jr. He was drafted by the NFL Minnesota Vikings.

The next City Council meeting will be held on May 24, 2021 at 7:00pm. You can participate via Zoom using the meeting id: 893 1547 4985

*Policy Liaison – Joseph Juby & Nichelle N. Daniels*

*Legislative Liaison – Ashley M. Thomas, M. Ed.*

## **PRESENTATION**

## **RECOGNITIONS/COMMENDATIONS**

## **SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

Thank you, Madame President.

The Garfield Heights City Schools is winding down the 2020-2021 School Year and are pleased to announce that many of our traditionally held year-end activities taking place this year. The District is very excited to share that Commencement will take place on June 3rd at Rocket Mortgage Field House in a safe, and socially distanced ceremony. Graduating members of the Class of 2021 have been eagerly and patiently planning the details with High School staff, and we expect that a very unique and memorable commencement ceremony will take place. In addition, Prom will be held on May 21st at Signature of Solon. A variety of other activities, such as National Honor Society inductions, senior awards night and various concerts and performances are underway and you should please check the website calendar for specific times and details. A reminder to everyone, that the final day of school for all students in the Garfield Heights City Schools is Friday, June 4th.

To close, the 2020-2021 school year was one of great complexity, but one of terrific triumph. I thank the Board of Education for their support and their diligence in leading during a global crisis. While others might consider the things lost or deprived during such a time, I prefer to focus on all that has been accomplished. Our students continue to be educated with a first-rate learning approach and excellent educational staff... we successfully finished our community-based strategic planning process and identified what a portrait of a Garfield Heights graduate looks like. Our revised mission, which is... "As the heart of the community, Garfield Heights City Schools fully prepares students to pursue their dreams and give back as engaged citizens and future leaders". These tools provide us with a "north star" in terms of direction as a District. Our athletics programs successfully competed. We kept students safe and secure. We deployed new technology and deep cleansing measures in short-order, with Board support. The District continued leading on matters of Diversity, Inclusion and Equity with a variety of awesome community-supported programming, such as DEI Week... These are just some of the accomplishments made despite the environment around us... and it's what makes us all Bulldogs.

## **REMARKS FROM THE PUBLIC REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS**

## **REPORTS & RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TREASURER**

Before voting on the Treasurer's recommendations, Mr. Sluka gave the Board a detailed overview on the key items of the Five-Year Forecast update that is on the agenda for approval.

Moved by Ms. Thomas, seconded by Ms. Morrison to approve the financials for April 2021, as presented.

Ayes: Ms. Thomas, Ms. Morrison, Ms. King, Mrs. Daniels  
Nays: None

Moved by Ms. Thomas, seconded by Ms. Morrison to approve Resolution No. 2021-10, a resolution approving the Five-Year Forecast May Update as presented.

Ayes: Ms. Thomas, Ms. Morrison, Ms. King, Mrs. Daniels  
Nays: None

### **RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION:**

Moved by Ms. King, seconded by Ms. Morrison to approve Resolution 2021-11, a Resolution to Establish Finance and Legislative Advisory Committees of the Garfield City School District Board of Education, as presented.

Ayes: Ms. King, Ms. Morrison, Ms. Thomas, Mrs. Daniels  
Nays: None

### **SUPERINTENDENT RECOMMENDATIONS - CERTIFIED PERSONNEL**

Moved by Ms. King, seconded by Ms. Morrison to approve the following Administrative Contracts:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Contract Days</b>	<b>Effective</b>
Mike Freilino	MS Assistant Principal	210	08/01/2021 - 07/31/2024
Jill Frimel	WF Principal	210	08/01/2021 - 07/31/2024
Dale Krzynowek	Coordinator of Athletics and Student Services	210	08/01/2021 - 07/31/2024
Brynn Morris	MS Assistant Principal	210	08/01/2021 - 07/31/2022
Bryan Petsche	Elm Assistant Principal	210	08/01/2021 - 07/31/2024
Chris Sauer	HS Assistant Principal	210	08/01/2021 - 07/31/2024
John Townsend	HS Assistant Principal	210	08/01/2021 - 07/31/2024
Leslie Tranter	MS Assistant Principal	210	08/01/2021 - 07/31/2024

Ayes: Ms. King, Ms. Morrison, Ms. Thomas,  
Nays: None  
Abstain: Mrs. Daniels

Moved by Ms. King, seconded by Ms. Morrison to approve the New Administrative Job Description, as presented.

Ayes: Ms. King, Ms. Morrison, Ms. Thomas,  
Nays: None  
Abstain: Mrs. Daniels

Moved by Ms. King, seconded by Ms. Morrison to approve the following Certified Staff items as presented:

Leave of Absences

NAME	BLDG.	TYPE	DATES
Richter, William	MS	Medical Leave of Absence	4/20/21 - 4/30/21
Richardson, Kristen	MS	Medical Leave of Absence	4/27/21 - 6/8/21
D'Agostino, Renee	WF	Intermittent Medical Leave of Absence	3/10/21 - 3/9/22
Costello, Brittany	MS	Maternity Leave of Absence	08/25/21 - 10/4/21

Continuing Contract(s)

NAME	BLDG.
Skarupa, Amanda	High School
Rauschkolb, Kelly	High School

Approve Additional Days For The Guidance Counselors For The 2021 - 2022 School Year As Follows:

NAME	BLDG.	ADDITIONAL DAYS
Castagnola, Robin	High School	15
Marksberry, Bobbie	High School	15
Williams, Sherri	High School	15
Banyasz, Michael	Middle School	10
Richardson, Kristen	Middle School	10

Approve The Certified Contract(S) For The 2021 - 2022 School Year

NAME	POSITION	BLDG.	DEGREE	STEP	Effective
Costello-Dixon, Mary Catherine	School Psychologist	EW	M+30	2	08/23/21
Rodgers, Rokeishia S.	School Psychologist	WF	M+30	2	08/23/21

Non-Renew The Contracts Of The Following Staff Members At The End Of The 2020-2021 School Year Who Meets One Or More Of The Following Criteria: Hired As An Intern; Hired After Retirement From A School System; Hired For Part-Time Position

<b>NAME</b>	<b>POSITION</b>	<b>BLDG.</b>
Dupree, Gordon	Director of Pupil Services	Central Office
Mather, Chris	Resident Educator Program Coordinator	District
Abbey, Kate	Title I Tutor	Maple Leaf
Bourcher, Jennifer	Title I Tutor	Elmwood
Cleveland, Oshauwnya	Title I Tutor	William Foster
Hynes, Amy	Title I Tutor	Middle School
North, Kristen	Title I Tutor	Elmwood
Charnas, Alexandra	Title I Tutor	Digital Academy

Approve The Following Teachers As Credit Recovery Course Graders To Be Paid A Stipend Of \$2,005.00 Effective June 10, 2021 Through June 9, 2022

Saunders, Carla	English/Language Arts
Augustine, Elysia	English/Language Arts
Sommers, Doug	Science
Reisland, Lance	Health
Papesh, Jeff	Physical Education
Carano, Cheryl	Social Studies
Christy Walcoff	Mathematics
Milosevic, Michelle	Mathematics
Kijowski, Paula	Mathematics

Approve The Following Limited Contract For The 2021 - 2022 School Year

<b>LAST NAME</b>	<b>FIRST NAME</b>
Chapman	Megan

Ayes: Ms. King, Ms. Morrison, Ms. Thomas,

Nays: None

Abstain: Mrs. Daniels

## **SUPERINTENDENT RECOMMENDATIONS - CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL**

Moved by Ms. Thomas, seconded by Ms. Morrison to approve the Classified Staff items as presented.

### Leave of Absences

<b>NAME</b>	<b>BLDG.</b>	<b>TYPE</b>	<b>DATES</b>
Hadden, Michelle	High School	Intermittent Medical Leave of Absence for Family Member	4/12/21 - 4/11/22

### Accept the Following Resignation(s)

<b>NAME</b>	<b>POSITION</b>	<b>BLDG.</b>	<b>EFFECTIVE DATE</b>
Carter, Miriam	Instructional Asst. (2B)	WF	4/30/21
Fraley, Jason	Instructional Asst. (2B)	HS	6/4/21
Frazier, Audra	General Cafeteria (1C)	HS	6/7/21

Ayes: Ms. Thomas, Ms. Morrison, Ms. King, Mrs. Daniels

Nays: None

## **SUPERINTENDENT RECOMMENDATIONS - SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS**

Moved by Ms. Thomas, seconded by Ms. Morrison to approve the Supplemental Contracts as presented.

### Athletic Supplemental Positions - Spring Sports

<b>NAME</b>	<b>ATHLETIC SUPPLEMENTAL</b>	<b>BLDG</b>
Louvain, Rebecca	Assistant Track Coach	HS
Chapman, Megan	Assistant Track Coach	HS

Ayes: Ms. Thomas, Ms. Morrison, Ms. King, Mrs. Daniels

Nays: None

## **RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT TO THE BOARD: POLICY:**

None at this time.

**RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT TO THE BOARD:  
CONTRACTS:**

Moved by Ms. Thomas, seconded by Ms. Morrison to approve the Contract as presented between Garfield Heights City Schools and ASG Education Services, Inc. (Leap program). An education school for students on Individualized Education Programs for the 2021-2022 school year.

Ayes: Ms. Thomas, Ms. Morrison, Ms. King, Mrs. Daniels  
Nays: None

Moved by Ms. Thomas, seconded by Ms. Morrison to approve an Event License Agreement between the Cavaliers Operating Company, LLC and the Garfield Heights City Schools to have the Class of 2021 graduation ceremony venue held at the ROCKET Mortgage Fieldhouse.

Ayes: Ms. Thomas, Ms. Morrison, Ms. King, Mrs. Daniels  
Nays: None

**RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT TO THE BOARD:  
MISCELLANEOUS:**

Moved by Ms. Thomas, seconded by Ms. Morrison to approves Resolution No. 2021-12, a Resolution to approve and enter into a settlement agreement and release of claims.

Ayes: Ms. Thomas, Ms. Morrison, Ms. King, Mrs. Daniels  
Nays: None

**REMARKS FROM THE PUBLIC REGARDING MISCELLANEOUS SCHOOL ITEMS**

None

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT BOARD MEETINGS**

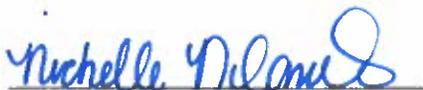
Board of Education Special Board Meeting 6:00 P.M.  
June 14, 2021

Board of Education Regular Meeting – 6:00 P.M.  
June 21, 2021

**ADJOURN THE MEETING**

Moved by Ms. King, seconded by Ms. Thomas to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 P.M.

Ayes: Ms. King, Ms. Thomas, Ms. Morrison, Mrs. Daniels  
Nays: None



President



Treasurer

# News Flash!

CVCC Board of Education-  
Garfield Heights District



April 29, 2021

## **CVCC Instructor Recognized by Fox 8**

CVCC's High School and Adult Education Dental Assisting Instructor, Ms. Lisa Theodore, was recently recognized by Fox 8 News "Thanks to Teachers" segment. Ms. Theodore has been teaching for 22 years and is such a joy to all those who meet her! CVCC is honored to have her as a part of our staff, congratulations! To view the news segment, visit: <https://fox8.com/video/thanks-to-teachers-lisa-theodore/6257912/>



## **CVCC Instructor Honored by SkillsUSA**

CVCC instructor, Mr. Jerry Koenig, was recently selected by SkillsUSA State Board of Directors as the 2021 SkillsUSA Ohio Lifetime Achievement Award Recipient. Mr. Koenig and his program have been involved with SkillsUSA for years, having a positive impact on the organization. He will be honored at the 2021 Virtual SkillsUSA State Championships Awards Ceremony on April 30. Congratulations!



## **CVCC Culinary Arts Program Cake Projects**

On Friday, April 16, CVCC's Culinary Arts I students, instructed by Ms. Morton, completed their cakes for the annual Cake Project. Each student in the Culinary Arts I class created a cake and presented it in the Valley Inn Restaurant to a panel of staff and students. Great job!



## **National Technical Honor Society Induction Ceremony**

On Wednesday, April 14, CVCC inducted 53 members into the National Technical Honor Society (NTHS). NTHS honors career-technical high school students who excel in scholarship, leadership, service and character. Membership is determined by a student's scholastic achievement, attendance, deportment, participation in career-technical student organizations and teacher recommendations. Final selections are made by a committee of CVCC staff. Members organize activities that promote school spirit and fundraisers to help social causes.

These activities help develop leadership skills and a sense of school unity and community. Special congratulations to NTHS member, as well as CVCC and Independence High School senior, Richard DiGeronimo (pictured with Principal Mr. Hall) for winning the NTHS Scholarship! CVCC's 22nd Annual National Technical Honor Society Induction Ceremony can be viewed on our website at:

[https://www.cvccworks.edu/highschool\\_home.aspx](https://www.cvccworks.edu/highschool_home.aspx)

. Congratulations to the inducted NTHS members:

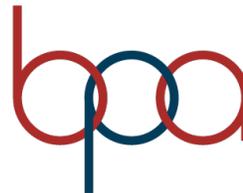


### Garfield Heights:

Sofia Fasone, Junior, Medical Administrative Specialist  
 Raeonna Henderson, Senior, Sports Medicine Exercise Science  
 Charity Perry, Senior, Digital Design  
 India Simmons, Senior, Graphic Imaging Technology

### Business Professionals of America State Contest

CVCC students recently participated in the Business Professionals of America (BPA) State Competition. CVCC students, along with neighboring district students, competed in the contest. CVCC has 12 students who qualified to continue and compete in the BPA National Conference in the coming months. The following CVCC students qualified for the national



**BUSINESS  
 PROFESSIONALS  
 of AMERICA**

### Garfield Heights High School:

<u>First Name</u>	<u>Last Name</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>AM/PM</u>	<u>Home School</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Contest</u>	<u>Notes</u>
Madisyn	Mwonyonyi	Medical Administrative Specialist II	PM	Garfield Hts.	7 <sup>th</sup>	ICD-10-CM Medical Diagnostic Coding	National Qualifier

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Merit/Honor Roll

CVCC congratulates all of its students who achieved merit and honor roll status for the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of the 2020/21 school year! Merit and Honor Roll recipients include:

### Garfield Heights:

#### Merit Roll-

<u>First Name</u>	<u>Last Name</u>	<u>Program</u>
Ryanne	Acoff	Medical Administrative Specialist II
Lianna	Alston	Health Careers IA
Taelor	Benn	Cosmetology IIA
Isabella	Berna	Cosmetology IIA

Aisha	Bolling	Cosmetology IIB
Ionna	Clemons	Cosmetology IA
Elisa	Cosme	Cosmetology IIA
Elisha	Cosme	Cosmetology IIB
Tyler	Crawford	Cosmetology IIA
Christopher	Croson	Auto Service Technology II
Jalen	Davis	Engineering Technology II
Elvin	Drake	Graphic Imaging Technology I
Charion	Dunbar	Culinary Arts & Food Services I
Eyanah	Eatmon	Construction Trades II
Jasmine	Fisher	Culinary Arts & Food Services I
Alia	Glover	Fire & EMS Academy I
Kiara	Graham	Culinary Arts & Food Services II
Alyssa	Harrison	Dental Assisting II
Naomi	Hermida	Cosmetology IA
Emma	Herrera	Dental Assisting II
James	Hughes	Construction Trades I
Serenity	Jayne	Transition to Work AM
Jazmyn	Jones	Auto Body Repair & Refinishing I
Taniya	Kilgore	Cosmetology IB
Kalvin	Kuchta	Programming & Software Development I
Gavin	Lane	Dental Assisting II
Aylahna	Lathan-Melton	Cosmetology IA
Dedrick	Lynch	Auto Body Repair & Refinishing II
Nathan	MacDonald	Health Careers IIC
Mercedes	Mrozinski	Cosmetology IA
Madisyn	Mwonyonyi	Medical Administrative Specialist II
Faridath	Nonditchao	Dental Assisting I
Kaila	Pulley	Dental Assisting I
Veronica	Putich	Hotels & Resorts II
Haleigh	Rankin	Dental Assisting I
Margret	Ross	Dental Assisting II
Layla	Sayers	Culinary Arts & Food Services II
Aaron	Seay	Machine Technology I
Antonio	Sharp	Success Academy I
Demetrius	Smith	Heating & Air Conditioning II
Imari	Smith	Health Careers IC
Dillon	Stys	Building Property Maintenance PM

Kayla	Thomas	Medical Administrative Specialist II
Summer	Thomas	Success Academy I
TyShawn	Turner	Transition to Work AM
Bailey	Waterbury	Health Careers IC
Courtney	Wesolowski	Culinary Arts & Food Services I
Javier	Wilson-Collier	Sales & Service Fundamentals I

### Honor Roll-

First Name	Last Name	Program
Santana	Bell	Transition to Work PM
Jer Real	Brown	Transportation Systems I
Sofia	Fasone	Medical Administrative Specialist I
Taeja	Harris	Cosmetology IB
Alivia	Heath	Cosmetology IIB
Raeonna	Henderson	Sports Medicine Exercise Science II
Tyree	Horton	Heating & Air Conditioning II
Nakiyah	Hurt	Culinary Arts & Food Services II
Shamara	Jackson	Sports Medicine Exercise Science II
Caleb	McArthur	Transition to Work AM
Chad	McCormick	Heating & Air Conditioning II
Leo	Merryman	Transition to Work AM
Kyle	Miller	Transition to Work AM
Mahari	Mitchell	Graphic Imaging Technology II
Shanirea	Nichols	Cosmetology IIA
Charity	Perry	Digital Design II
Jada	Rush	Cosmetology IIB
Lillian	Sanni	Media Arts II
India	Simmons	Graphic Imaging Technology II
Arthur	Sloan	Transportation Systems II
Kyleigh	Sprouse	Health Careers IIC
Jenna	Waterbury	Sports Medicine Exercise Science II
Milliyah	Wheeler	Hotels & Resorts II
Reanna	White	Cosmetology IIB
Laniya	Wiley	Cosmetology IIB

### **2020-21 CVCC Endowment Scholarship Recipients**

Endowment Scholarships are given by the CVCC Board of Education on an annual basis to Adult Education students completing a certificate program that demonstrate financial need, as

well as reside in one of CVCC's eight associate districts. Congratulations to the following recipients:

**Garfield Heights:**

Shavanna Bates, Licensed Practical Nursing

Tawanna Crumedy, Licensed Practical Nursing

Yasmin Knox, Licensed Practical Nursing

Martiana Spurlock, Licensed Practical Nursing

Charneice Tufts, EKG Technician

Sidney Williams-Garner, Licensed Practical Nursing

**Virtual School of Nursing Information Night**

The School of Nursing at Cuyahoga Valley Career Center held a Virtual Information Night on Wednesday, April 21. Attendees were able to meet the supervisor, Pattie Mandula, MBA/HCM, BSN, RN and staff, who highlighted the program's requirements, curriculum, student clinical and classroom expectations, and more. Additionally, Susan Kelley, CVCC's Student Support Services, presented information on the financial aid process. The opportunity to ask questions regarding the program ended the session. What a great event! For information on



CVCC's Practical Nursing Program, visit: <https://www.cvccworks.edu/Nursing.aspx> or contact the nursing department's administrative assistants, Lea Bacci at [lbacci@cvccworks.edu](mailto:lbacci@cvccworks.edu), 440-746-8232 or Stephanie Ciesla at [sciesla@cvccworks.edu](mailto:sciesla@cvccworks.edu), 440-746-8332.

**Upcoming Events**

- ◆ Wednesday, May 12 ◆ Last Day for Seniors
- ◆ Thursday, May 27 ◆ 6:30 p.m. ◆ Board of Education Meeting
- ◆ Friday, May 28 ◆ Students' Last Day
- ◆ Monday, May 31 ◆ Memorial Day



# *The Student Connection*



***With: Yasmin Knox***

***From: Garfield Heights District***



Yasmin Knox is an adult student from the Garfield Heights area enrolled in CVCC's full-time Licensed Practical Nursing (LPN) program, supervised by Mrs. Mandula. Yasmin chose to enroll in CVCC's LPN program because of its exceptional reputation, as well as its central location and affordability. Her favorite part of the program has been the hands-on lab work. The schedule of the program is demanding; however, Yasmin says it is worth the "early mornings and late nights." Yasmin enjoys the small class sizes that CVCC provides; she feels she is always able to access her instructors for extra help. Not only is Yasmin excelling in the LPN program, she is also class president.

Outside of school, Yasmin spends her time caring for her daughter. They enjoy movie and game nights together. After graduating, Yasmin plans to work as an LPN while going to school part-time to become a registered nurse. Yasmin's goal is to become a registered nurse working in the cosmetic industry. What exceptional goals, best wishes in all you do Yasmin!

Written By: Gabrielle Scorzino, CVCC Media Specialist

To nominate a student to be featured in *The Student Connection*, visit <http://tinyurl.com/y7yprd6o>