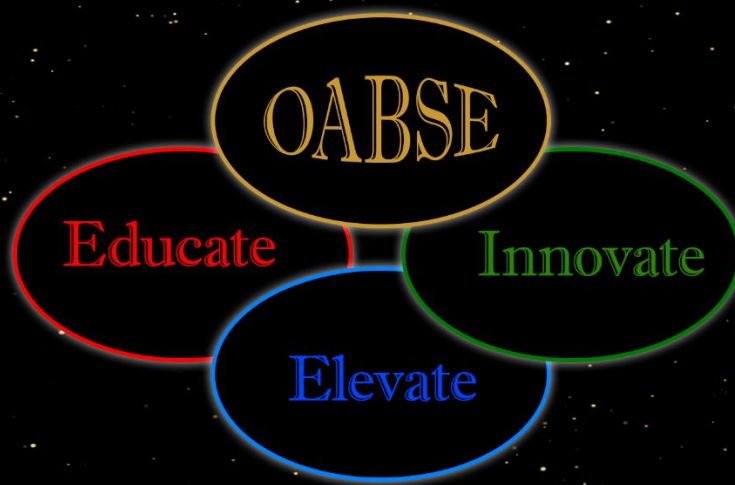


OHIO ALLIANCE of BLACK SCHOOL EDUCATORS (OABSE)

Sixth Annual Administrator Appreciation & Student Recognition Banquet



SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 2019

Reception - 5:00pm
Banquet Dinner - 6:00pm
Dance - 8:30pm

Columbus Downtown Hyatt Regency Hotel
350 N High St, Columbus, OH 43215



OHIO ALLIANCE of BLACK SCHOOL EDUCATORS, INC.



Welcome to the Ohio Alliance of Black School Educators (OABSE) Sixth Annual Administrator Appreciation and Student Recognition Banquet. On behalf of the OABSE membership we thank you for your support and commitment to helping us celebrate excellence in education. Our pursuit of excellence celebration is both a celebration and a reminder that we must continue to work towards excellence for all children.

Our theme: Educate, Innovate and Elevate is a focal point of all our efforts. Our students deserve educators dedicated to Innovation and elevation. We must recognize and celebrate our students' academic achievements and continue to encourage and support their efforts. This speaks to the mission of OABSE/NABSE-ensuring that all children are provided the skills and knowledge that will enable them to live a productive, independent and engaging life.

We would also like to thank the Affiliates, organizations, and businesses for the support of student scholarships, and recognition of our stellar principals.

Enjoy the program.



President's Letter

NABSE



National Alliance of Black School Educators



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Mission

The National Alliance of Black School Educators (NABSE) is the nation's premier non-profit organization devoted to furthering the academic success for the nation's children - particularly children of African descent.

National Priorities

Programming of the national, regional, state and local affiliates will focus in the following areas:

1. Improvement of student outcomes in the areas of: Early Childhood Access, Literacy, Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math(STEM)
2. Organize Leadership Development Institutes and Career Advancement programs
3. Promote Educator recognition programs
4. Engage in legislative advocacy at local, state, and national level
5. Develop a research clearinghouse database focus on the NABSE research agenda
6. Redefine the economic model of NABSE for sustainability purposes

To the Membership of the Ohio Alliance of Black School Educators,

I bring you greetings from the National Alliance of Black School Educators and am excited to join OABSE in celebrating your 1st Annual State Conference. As the President of the National Alliance of Black School Educators I extend a sincere appreciation to the leaders of OABSE and the organizers of this professional learning opportunity. Thank you for your intentional efforts to align this experience with the National Alliance of Black School Educator's mission. The National Alliance of Black School Educators (NABSE) is the nation's premiere non-profit organization devoted to furthering the academic success for the nation's children – particularly children of African descent.

Founded in 1970, NABSE is dedicated to improving both the educational experiences and accomplishments of our nation's youth of African descent through the development and use of instructional and motivational methods that increase levels of inspiration, attendance and overall achievement. Ohio educators have been engaged in NABSE since its inception and continue to play an influential role in the new direction of the organization.

Thank you OABSE members for taking the initiative, making the sacrifice and recognizing the responsibility we have as educators to continue to network, learn and grow. The theme Educate, Innovate and Elevate is fitting for this First Annual Conference and sets the stage for what I am anticipating will be a robust learning experience. I am challenging all educators to get connected to the local OABSE affiliate and to become a member of NABSE so we can continue our network of learning and supporting each other in this most purposeful work.

Best wishes for having the most engaging professional development experience ever! I challenge each of you to take what you learn during this experience and share with others. Please take full advantage of all the learning opportunities offered at the conference. In the interest of excellence, equity and enhanced life chances for all students and especially students of African descent and the educators that serve them, I remain.

Sincerely,

Michael D. McFarland Ed.D.
President
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Humble Greetings to everyone and welcome to our Sixth Annual Administrator Appreciation and Student Recognition Banquet!

This year OHIO is honored to have Dr. Michael McFarland, the President of The National Alliance of Black School Educators, who has traveled from the great state of Texas, joining us for this special celebration.

The Ohio Alliance of Black School Educators is one of the active, engaged and growing one-hundred Affiliates under the umbrella of the National Alliance of Black School Educator's, (NABSE), across the United States, Canada and even including the Bahamas. All Affiliates work diligently to support the mission and goals of NABSE and will continue to work with our Legislator's, Higher Ed Institution's, Departments of Education, and Local School Boards in our communities to affect a positive change for all students and educators.

I am extremely proud of all the endless hours of preparation our Affiliates have volunteered to make this annual event such a success. Your teamwork as you are also fulfilling the mission of the National Alliance of Black School Educators through your promotion and efforts that support the education of all students; with the focus on African American students does not go unnoticed, nor unappreciated.

This recognition banquet sends a powerful message to our community and across the state by highlighting our Administrator's unselfish devotion to the education of all children to ensure their safety, promoting self-pride, providing equitable access to all aspects of the organizational environment, demonstrating compassion and empathy, while leading and being a positive role model.

I want to thank our parents/guardians for the endless support you demonstrate to your children and your advocacy and loyalty to the education process. Parenting is hard work with much sacrifice of time and often finances and this role can't be taken lightly. For this, I say again, Thank you!

I want to praise our students for staying the course, for taking advantage of all the educational opportunities afforded to them, and for their continued academic and social success. I want to encourage our students to continue to dream big, stay the course, follow your dreams, and continue to make us all proud of your future accomplishments. Remember, you are our future and the fate of others behind you lays in your hands as you pave the way.

We have planned a wonderful evening and the wish is that each and every one will feel the supportive spirit for the accomplishments of our Administrator's and our Students.

Thank you all for your continued support of The Ohio Alliance of Black School Educators' Signature Event!

I look forward to you joining us again in 2020!

Educationally Yours,

Debra Porter-Sawyer

Ohio Alliance of Black School Educators (OABSE) President

National Alliance of Black School Educators (NABSE) Board Member

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OABSE

Ohio Alliance of Black School Educators

CONFERENCE 2019

SCHEDULE

9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

REGISTRATION

During registration an opening session will be held to welcome participants to the 1st OABSE Annual Conference

10:15 AM - 11:00 AM

1ST SESSIONS

- A. Cultural Competency
- B. Using Data to DRIVE Instruction
- C. Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

11:15 AM - 12:00 PM

2ND SESSIONS

- A. Creating a Thriving Academic Culture
- B. Effective Ways to Work with Parents
- C. Mental Health and School Services

12:15 PM - 2:00 PM

GEN. ASSEMBLY

After the closing assembly there will be opportunity to network with other professionals before the evening event



SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 2019

Hyatt Regency Columbus

Located in: Downtown Columbus Convention Center
Address: 350 N High St, Columbus, OH 43215

9:00 AM — 2:00 PM

COST: \$150 PER PERSON

Price includes admission to the sixth annual recognition banquet

“Empowering Educational Excellence through Equity”

Speakers include:

Dr. Hope Bland, Dr. James Jones, Loren Shockley, Stacey Hill-Simmons, Keary Sarabia, and Rockdale Academy.

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Saturday, April 6, 2019

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Seating 5:30 p.m. Banquet 6:00 p.m.

Dance 8:30 p.m.

Hyatt Regency Hotel, Downtown Columbus

Program Itinerary

Mistress of Ceremony – Gloria Nolan

Invocation – *Pastor Charles E. Newman, Antioch Baptist Church, Columbus*

Welcome – *Dr. Michael McFarland, NABSE President*

Acknowledgements – *Jeannette Henson, OABSE Past President*

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“LIFT EV’RY VOICE AND SING” – *Eugenie Woods*

Dinner & Entertainment

NABSE Litany – *Doug Grayson, OABSE Past President*

Introduction of Keynote Speaker – *Thomas Boggs, OABSE Treasurer*

Keynote Speaker

Laura Mitchell, Superintendent of Cincinnati Public Schools

OABSE Presentation to Keynote Speaker – *Debra Porter-Sawyer, OABSE President*

Administrator Award Presentations & Outstanding Student Presentations

Betty Maceo, Past OABSE President and Debra Sawyer, OABSE President

Closing Remarks – *Thanda Maceo, OABSE 1st Vice President*

Benediction – *Pastor Charles E. Newman, Antioch Baptist Church, Columbus*



“LIFT EV’RY VOICE AND SING”

Also known as “The Black National Anthem”

By James Weldon Johnson

Lift ev’ry voice and sing,
Till Earth and Heaven ring.
Ring with the harmonies of Liberty;
Let our rejoicing rise,
High as the list’ning skies,
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;
Sign a song full of the hope that the present has brought us;
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun,
Let us march on till victory is won.

Stony the road we trod,
Bitter the chast’ning rod,
Felt in the days when hope unborn had died;
Yet with a steady beat,
Have not our weary feet,
Come to the place for which our fathers sighed:
We have come over a way that with tears has been watered,
We have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered,
Out from the gloomy past,
Till now we stand at last
Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

God of our weary years,
God of our silent tears,
Thou who has brought us thus far on the way;
Thou who has by Thy might,
Led us into the light,
Keep us forever in the path, we pray
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God where we met Thee,
Lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the world, we forget Thee,
Shadowed beneath thy hand, May we forever stand,
True to our God, True to our native land.

The Ohio Alliance of Black School Educators Litany of Commitment

- Leader:** We dedicate this event to the qualitative improvement of education for African American students and to the collaborative support of African American educators.
- We rejoice that African American educators and supporters are assembled under the banner of the National Alliance of Black School Educators, Inc. We ask God's guidance as we deliberate concerning the issues affecting the education of African American students and the role and importance of African American educators.
- To the honor of the Black community and to all those who share a responsibility in the education for African American children.
- Collect:** *We dedicate this event.*
- Leader:** To overcome the low levels of performance for the masses of our children, the loss of African American educators and the serious questions about the content of education (traditional, academic, and cultural).
- Collect:** *We raise our collective voices in an urgent demand for equality and excellence in education.*
- Leader:** To the call for new and extended independent African American initiatives in education;
- To the need to redress prior deprivations caused by slavery, segregation, racism and poverty.
- Collect:** *We pledge our commitment to do what is necessary for ourselves, as we understand that some things we must do for ourselves.*
- Unison:** We, the benefactors of many who shed blood and life years to bring us to this point, we are grateful for our heritage and this opportunity to go forward with the unfinished legacy. We dedicate ourselves to the education and service of African American and educators throughout the nation.

Adopted from the National Alliance of Black School Educators Litany—July 7, 1996

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Laura Mitchell



Superintendent Laura Mitchell is not one to back away from a big job. She steps up to it.

Before stepping up as the only internal candidate in Cincinnati Public Schools' national search for a superintendent (launched in December 2016), Mitchell served as CPS' Deputy Superintendent and Chief Academic Officer. She led the implementation of major academic improvement strategies, such as the Elementary Initiative, which raised achievement in the district's 16 lowest-performing elementary schools. Her leadership and collaboration with a team of principals, teachers and instructional coaches elevated the district to the rating of "Effective," making CPS the first and only urban school district in Ohio to earn this distinction. She also launched My Tomorrow, a comprehensive college and career readiness initiative.

Mitchell stepping into the Superintendent's role is, in a way, the next natural phase in her career and passion. A lifelong Cincinnati, she was born in the city's Bond Hill neighborhood, and she beams with pride when she tells you from which high school she graduated: CPS' School for Creative and Performing Arts. She earned her bachelor's degree at Bennett College in North Carolina and her master's degree at the University of Cincinnati, leading to her life's work in education — spent almost entirely with Cincinnati Public Schools. She has worked for CPS in a number of roles, including teacher, assistant principal, award-winning principal and teaching coach who provided guidance to schools throughout the district.

As the Cincinnati Enquirer once put it, Mitchell doesn't have one motivator, she has 35,000 — the students. As superintendent, Mitchell's primary focus is to continue to accelerate academic achievement throughout the district and prepare students to compete globally.

Experience

Superintendent, CPS (2017 to present)

Deputy Superintendent and Chief Academic Officer, CPS (January 2005-August 2017)

Program Manager for Leadership Development, Stupski Foundation (September 2004-2005)

Lead Principal, Instructional Support Team, CPS (August 2003-2004)

Elementary Principal, Westwood School, CPS (August 1999-2003) - Winner, 2002 Milken Educator Award

Elementary Assistant Principal, Westwood School, CPS (August 1998-1999)

Elementary Teacher, Central Fairmount School, CPS (August 1993-1998)

Elementary Teacher, Timothy Elementary School, Athens, Georgia (August 1991-1992)



**Ohio Alliance of Black School Educators
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*2019 Administrator
& Student Honorees*



“Educate, Innovate and Elevate”

OABSE 2019 Administrator Honoree Profile



Dr. Terra Baker



Dr. Terra Baker is a Cleveland native, but has become a transplant in Columbus since 1993 when she began her college career at The Ohio State University. Three degrees (B.A. Sociology, M.Ed. in Elementary Education, and Ed.D. in Educational Leadership) and 20 plus years later as an urban educator. Dr. Baker continues to enjoy the diversity and small town feel of Columbus, with her husband, son, and daughter.

Previously she served as a Master Teacher, math coach, and Math Coordinator in Columbus City Schools. Her most recent endeavor is as an elementary principal in Reynoldsburg City Schools. In her current role in Reynoldsburg, Dr. Baker has served on the District Leadership Team and Curriculum Resource Committee. Additionally, her school was awarded the Educational Council Foundation Legacy Grant for educating the whole child. Next school year her school will pilot a movement and mindfulness partnership with BalletMet.

She is a member of the Ohio Association of Elementary School Principals, the Ohio Council of Teachers of Mathematics, National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, and the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development. Dr. Baker has also served on the Ohio Department of Education Content Advisor Committee, as well as, the Model Curriculum Revision Committee. She is passionate and dedicated to improving and impacting education as an active member in the education community.



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OABSE 2019 Student Honoree



Bernice Adomako

OABSE 2019 Administrator Honoree Profile



Jeremy J. Batchelor



Jeremy Batchelor is the son of Reverend George W. Batchelor and Eileen D. Batchelor of Youngstown, Ohio. He is married to Sukanya L. Batchelor and they have three children, MaShama, Joshua, and Isaiah.

Jeremy Batchelor is currently the Principal at Youngstown East High School since August 2018, stepping away from the Assistant Superintendent of the Austintown Local Schools that he served in from 2014 to 2018, in order to help with the transformation work in his hometown of Youngstown. Jeremy Batchelor has served as a principal at James Martin Middle in Charlotte, NC as well as an area administrator for student services since in the Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools. Before that he was principal of East Bladen High School in Elizabethtown, NC from 2009-2012 and assistant principal of East Columbus High School in Lake Waccamaw, NC, from 2008-2009. He also worked in Austintown, Ohio as an assistant principal from 2006-2008 before moving to

North Carolina. Before moving into school administration, he served as a special education teacher and a juvenile probation officer. Jeremy earned a bachelor of arts in social science from John Carroll University in University Heights, OH, in 1996 and a master's in educational administration from Youngstown State University (Ohio) in 2006. He is a doctoral candidate at Youngstown State University currently working on dissertation focused on early warning systems and partnerships between schools and community agencies.

In 2018, he was awarded the Youngstown State University Beeghly College of Education's Alumni Administrator of the Year. In February 2019, he served at a keynote panelist for the College of Education's Professional Development Day.

His favorite quote is "to whom much is given, much is required".



OABSE 2019 Student Honoree



Thomas Steele

OABSE 2019 Administrator Honoree Profile



Jonathan Brown Ed.D



Jonathan Dale Brown is a native of Cincinnati, Ohio. He is the son of the late Bessie Mae Brown and the late James Hardy. Pastor Brown is an educational product of Cincinnati Public Schools graduating from Woodward High School in 1983. Continuing his pursuit of higher education, he graduated from the College of Mount Saint Joseph earning a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Elementary Education, 1990. In May 1995, he earned a Masters of Education degree and in 2002, he earned a Doctor of Education degree from the University of Cincinnati.

Dr. Jonathan Brown is blessed to have an illustrious professional career in the field of education. He has served as a Teacher (Cincinnati Public School District), Elementary School Principal (Winton Woods School District), Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Associate Superintendent (Baltimore, Maryland), Adjunct Professor (Morgan State University), Director of Equity, Cultural

Proficiency and Community Engagement (Hartford County Public School District) Executive Director of Principal Accountability (Baltimore City Public Schools) and served as Adjunct Professor at University of Cincinnati.

Presently he is serving as Elementary Principal at William Howard Taft S.T.E.M Elementary School within Cincinnati Public School. Dr. Brown assumed leadership in August, 2014 and inherited a low performing school. Working collaboratively with staff, and community members, William Howard Taft S.T.E.M. Elementary School currently has 100% of Third Graders scoring proficient or accelerated on the Ohio 2018 Math Air Assessment, 97% of Third graders scoring proficient or accelerated on the Ohio 2018 Reading Air Assessment, only school within school district to receive an A on the Ohio Report Card for At-Risk K-3 Readers, Outperformed district report card on 5 of 8 indicators, received an C for overall grade on the Ohio Report Card.

Working collaboratively with Local School Decision Making Committee, William Howard Taft K- 3 students participate in a six week swimming safety program during school day, secured additional funds to identify Health Care Center provider for students, parents, staff and community and built outdoor playground by working collaboratively with Marvin Lewis Foundation.

Dr. Brown is a transformational leader, transforming the lives of students and school community by ensuring that every student receives quality instruction, every day in every classroom.

Dr. Brown also serves as the senior pastor of Pilgrim Missionary Baptist Church located in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dr. Brown is married to the love of his life for the past 25 years, the former Kasandr  Yvonne Ealy. They are the proud parents of two children—Brittani Yvonne, magna cum laude graduate of Central State University and Paul Mitchell School of Cosmetology, is employed as a Hair Stylist and Jonathan Dale II is a senior honor student at Walnut Hills High School.

OABSE 2019 Student Honoree



Jeremiah Don Carlo Dudley

OABSE 2019 Administrator Honoree Profile



Diane Y. Campbell



Diane Y. Campbell is a graduate of West High School and the current principal at Wedgewood Middle School. She has been an educator in Columbus City Schools for 28 years. She holds a degree in Elementary Education 1-8 from Walsh University in Canton, Ohio and a Master's Degree, principal's license and superintendent's license from The Ohio State University. During undergrad at Walsh University, Ms. Campbell was a member of the volleyball, basketball and track team.

Ms. Campbell began her teaching degree in 1991 at West Mound Elementary School. Later, she transitioned to Hilltonia Middle School then Johnson Park Middle School. During her teaching career, she served as team leader and a member of the ABC committee.

Over the years, Ms. Campbell has served in many roles for the district including as a coordinator for the No Child Left Behind office, a professional development presenter for teachers and administrators, a curriculum writer for the math and summer school office, serving as a Summer School coordinator for over 15 years, and coaching high school volleyball, basketball, and a track coach.

After 19 years of teaching, Ms. Campbell continued her career as a School Improvement Coordinator serving 26 Columbus City Schools. During this journey, Ms. Campbell was a guest speaker at Harvard on the district's Instructional Rounds and School Improvement Process.

Ms. Campbell is a collaborative, visible leader. She views a collaborative school environment as the key to creating successful teachers and students. Ms. Campbell's educational philosophy is based on the belief that students can learn. She believes that with hard work, perseverance, and compassion teachers have the ability to touch the heart of every child.

Ms. Campbell knows the importance of being connected to the community she serves. She co-facilitates the Wedgewood Community Round Table committee. The committee has met monthly since the 2016-17 school year to provide access to resources for Wedgewood families and support the growth of the community. Ms. Campbell believes partnerships with parents and community partners are essential. This is evident in her tireless work with her staff to build stronger partnerships with students, parents, and community members. For her continued efforts, in 2018, Ms. Campbell was selected to receive the Empowerment award from the Columbus CARE Coalition for her work and contributions within the community.

Ms. Campbell prides herself in being an instructional leader, a strategic planner for school improvement, and a community advocate. Her passion and commitment to positively impact student growth and the development of teachers drives her daily.

OABSE 2019 Student Honoree



Tajanae A. Hairston





Dr. Michael Carr, D. Min



Dr. Michael Carr is the oldest of nine children born to Michael Carr and Patricia A. Clinton-Harris (Michael Harris) in Toledo, Ohio. He spent his formative years being reared in Toledo, OH attending Toledo Public Schools before his family moved to Richmond, IN where he attended and graduated from Richmond Community Schools.

Growing up in poverty in a primarily single parent home was not an obstacle to Dr. Carr. He was inspired by church and school to become all he could be. Dr. Carr had many role models, but none was more influential than his maternal grandmother, pastors, and educators. These individuals took time to sow into him the seeds for a bright future rooted in faith and education.

At the age of 11, Dr. Carr began accepted his call to ministry and entered his preaching profession. At school he became known as "Rev." Both his classmates and educators respected him and always gave ear to his sayings making him an influential child. Dr. Carr was chosen to serve on the City of Richmond, Indiana Mayor's Youth Council and was selected by his High School Principal and District Superintendent of Schools to offer words of comfort and prayer at a prayer vigil following the tragic 1999 Columbine shooting.

Upon his graduation from high school in 2001, Dr. Carr enrolled in Indiana University East to earn his undergraduate degree in secondary education with a concentration in English and minor in Social Studies. In 2006 he returned home to Toledo, OH and completed his studies at Lourdes University graduating in 2009. In 2011 he enrolled in Liberty University earning his Master of Arts degree in Theological Studies. Desiring to return to education, Dr. Carr became employed at The Knight Academy a local charter school serving as a Instructional Aide and working his way into administration eventually becoming the Principal/Executive Director of The Knight Academy. Due to his skill set and leadership, Dr. Carr was asked to join the staff at Aurora Academy, Ohio's first charter school in 2013. While being employed at Aurora Academy he would work to establish their school discipline code and positive behavior intervention system.

This time would also be spent earning a second graduate degree, Master of Education in Educational Leadership. Simultaneous Dr. Carr would also enroll in post graduate studies at the University of Findlay earning his Ohio Superintendent License and further his theological studies at Newburgh Theological Seminary completing his Doctor of Ministry degree in December 2014. Having met and had conversation with Dr. Romules Durant of Toledo Public Schools, Dr. Carr was asked to join the TPS Proud family as an Assistant Principal at Pickett Elementary for the 2014-2015 school year.

After one year, as a new Assistant Principal to the district, Dr. Carr was asked to take the helm of Glenwood Elementary School. Upon arriving to Glenwood, Dr. Carr continued to share his passion for educating children, especially children of color. In this role Dr. Carr would become more than simply a Principal or Instructional Leader instead he would wear many hats ranging from counselor, coach, friend, advocate, and mentor. Working collaboratively with his staff, Glenwood has moved from a "watch" designated school to an AVID Showcase School and state designated Independent school earning a grade of 'C' from an 'F.' Student's with disabilities also increased two letter grades from an 'F' to a 'C.'

Dr. Carr is married to the former Erica Lynn Cunningham who has been a blessing and added benefit to his life, work, and ministry. She is a jewel of a wife, diamond of a mother, and ruby of a First Lady to his pastoral ministry. They reside in Toledo with their four children (Michael, Mackenzie, Mackyli, and Maddisyn) and serve as leaders of the Temple of Praise Church. Dr. Carr holds steadfast that those who God has His hand on is safely secured and his desire is to simply be rewarded with the words of "Well done my good and faithful servant."

OABSE 2019 Student Honoree

Asia Means

OABSE 2019 Administrator Honoree Profile



Angela D. Harper



Miss Harper has a love for teaching and learning. She knew she wanted to go into education, specifically special education, when she was young. She comes from a family of teachers and administrators. She grew up in Copley, Ohio where she attended middle and high school. After graduating from high school, she attended Tennessee State University in Nashville, Tennessee. Her most favorable moments during her undergraduate career involved her participation in the “Aristocrat of Bands” and time spent with her sorority, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. After completion of her bachelor’s degree in 1997 she attended graduate school at the University of Akron.

As a graduate student at the University of Akron Miss Harper had the opportunity to work as an undergraduate student advisor and teach an undergraduate course in the Department of Special Education. During this time, she was majoring in Special Education. After obtaining her master’s degree and teaching certification in 1999, she began working in Parma City Schools. She taught students who were identified as having emotional and behavioral disorders in grades 4th – 6th.

While working in Parma City Schools, Miss Harper decided that she wanted to have more of an influence of what was going on in schools. This is when she decided to begin her master’s work in education administration at the University of Akron. Miss Harper knew she had a lot to offer children and wanted to extend her talents and grow professionally, so she decided to leave Parma City Schools and work for Akron Public Schools.

Miss Harper began her career in the Akron Public Schools at Findley Academy in 2001, teaching children in the 3rd-5th grade who had emotional and behavioral disorders. During her years at Findley Academy she served on the School Improvement Team, Faculty Council, and started a Step Team for girls. While working at Findley Academy, she finished her master’s program for the principalship. She was then hired as an assistant principal for Barrett Academy, an Akron Public School, in 2004. After gaining many skills and knowledge as an assistant principal, Miss Harper was hired as a principal in 2006 at Crouse Elementary School (now known as Crouse Community Learning Center).

In 2011 Crouse CLC was determined to be a special school, known as a Turnaround School, and Miss Harper interviewed to be a Turnaround Principal. Her experiences and skills proved her to be capable and full of potential in order to continue to serve as a turnaround principal. In 2014, while principal at Crouse, she and a colleague started the Youth Empowerment League. The Youth Empowerment League is a recreational basketball league that focuses on improving climate, leadership and academics in the Akron Public School system. The Youth Empowerment League focuses on 6th grade boys and 5th and 6th grade girls in the Buchtel Cluster and East Cluster Schools. Also, Miss Harper was selected to be a part of the Education Initiative Grant Committee, which is a part of the G.A.R. Foundation, where she works with a team to evaluate education grants submitted from school districts throughout Summit County. Also, Miss Harper sits on the Board of Directors for the Well CDC, which is located in Middleberry, the neighborhood where she currently is principal.

In 2016, Miss Harper was appointed principal at Mason Community Learning Center, where she continues to serve in hopes of positively affecting the growth and lives of students, teachers, and the community. Miss Harper and her 10 year old son both attend Wesley Temple A.M.E. Zion Church, where she serves as the Buds of Promise Superintendent, which is a missionary group for ages 1 -12.

OABSE 2019 Student Honoree

Kalyssa Anderson



OABSE 2019 Administrator Honoree Profile



Quanda Michelle Hairston



Quanda Michelle Hairston is the Executive Project Coordinator at Millennium Community School in Columbus, Ohio. A native of Columbus, Quanda graduated from Eastmoor High School and went on to receive her Bachelor of Arts degree from Wittenberg University in Springfield, OH, where she majored in Sociology with a concentration in Education. Despite her efforts to go another route by starting out as a Psychology major, education just kept tugging at her coattails.

Quanda's passion for teaching started at an early age, when she would ask her teachers to give her all of their extra teaching materials before going on summer break. She would then spend the summer setting up her classroom in her basement and teaching her cousins and stuffed animals. An educator was being born.

She has worked in education for over 20 years starting her journey as an Aide for Columbus City Schools. Once there she began to direct the YMCA after-school and summer programs for her school. In 2002, she began her next chapter at Millennium Community School as a

First Grade Teacher and that is where she has served for the last 17 years as an educator and administrator. In her current role, Quanda is responsible for the "quality of life" for staff and students at Millennium and uses her creativity and love for children to help shape the family atmosphere within the school community.

However, Quanda does not limit her love for educating children to Millennium. She and her husband are an instrumental part in Christian education at Love Zion Baptist Church, where they teach Sunday School, are directors for Vacation Bible School and now facilitate youth church services.

Quanda is a proud member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, Psi Eta Omega Chapter in which she serves as an officer, committee chairman and regional committee member. Through her membership in her beloved sorority, she enjoys giving back to the community through various service activities.

For Quanda, working at Millennium is truly a family affair. She has been married to her best friend, Anthony Hairston, for 13 years. Tony has served as PTA president for the school and volunteers on a regular basis. They share two amazing children; son Miles who is an 11-year old sixth grader at Millennium and 4-year daughter Sydney who will enter kindergarten at Millennium in the fall.

Quanda is certain that this journey is not over and looks forward to taking the path that has been laid before her. She is confident that God will continue to elevate her in the work He has called her to do for her favorite scripture says, "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord. "Plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart." - Jeremiah 29:11-13



OABSE 2019 Student Honoree



Adreese Robinson

OABSE 2019 Administrator Honoree Profile



Jerome Johnson



Jerome Johnson was born on March 7, 1980 to the proud parents Jerry and Cathy Johnson. He is the oldest brother of 3 siblings. He is a proud graduate of Sandusky City Schools class of 1999. Jerome decided to further his education in which he became the first member of his family to receive a college degree.

He received his Bachelor of Arts Degree from Bowling Green State University in May of 2012 and his Master of Science in Criminal Justice Administration, December 2014. He currently serves as the Dean of Students at the Sandusky Middle School and Operations Director for the Boys and Girls Club of Erie County.

His purpose is to connect people from all backgrounds and all generations to one another so that they can grow and enhance one another in unity and love. Jerome is uniquely gifted to coach, mobilize and ignite transformation in youth, both in the school setting and beyond its walls.

Jerome Johnson is a devoted father of five sons whom he raised on his own while fostering through Erie County.

While his interests vary, his primary passion remains to work with youth and his community to forcefully and powerfully advance the message of love to all.

His Mission is simple: Love God, Love People, Serve Others, Change the World!



OABSE 2019 Student Honoree



Samarion Newell



Dr. James M. Jones



Before coming to Robinson Elementary School and Robinson Achievement Elementary School, Dr. Jones's professional career consisted of experiences with Toledo Public School District, Bluffton University, Victory Academy, Southwestern College, and Lake Erie Academy for many years. He has held the positions of teacher, assistant principal, director of instruction, dean of students, and athletic coach of several different young men and women sports programs at several high schools and middle schools in Toledo, Ohio. In all his experiences he has found one consistent truth: when parents and staff collaboratively work together, every student receives the high-quality education they deserve. It is that truth that drives Dr. Jones and he hopes to demonstrate his commitment toward ensuring his partnership with staff, students, and parents is as strong as it can be for the sake of students.

Dr. Jones's greatest priority for Robinson Elementary is to offer a welcoming environment where each student receives instruction targeted to his or her individual needs. He believes all staff must strive to induce a yearning in students to explore innovative ideas. Parents, teachers, support staff, and administration all have a significant role in encouraging children to become active and life-long learners. He eagerly looks forward to working with community stakeholders to make Robinson Elementary School a school that promotes a "no excuses" attitude that will guarantee that indeed, "no child will be left behind". During the 2017-2018 academic school year Dr. Jones was nominated for Toledo Public Schools principal of the year and worked diligently with his staff to progress Robinson Elementary from academic emergency to a focus school by Ohio Department of Education standards.



OABSE 2019 Administrator Honoree Profile



Joy Jones



Joy Jones began her career as an educator 26 years ago. She first began teaching in the early 1990s in Kentucky after graduating from college in Kansas in 1991. In 1995, she returned to Ohio and started teaching at Elyria's Roosevelt Elementary School. Since then, she has been an administrator for the district's central office, assistant principal at Westwood Elementary, Elyria High School and now at Oakwood where she's been for more than five years.

Jones is the Ohio Alliance's financial secretary and served as first vice president, and is immediate past president of the Lorain County Alliance of Black School Educators. She also has worked with the national chapter of the National Alliance of Black School Educators.

Jones said teachers and administrators of each alliance work to provide opportunities for each child in the classroom to grow.

Her involvement in the County Alliance started after her daughter, Kandace Jones, now 30, received honors awards through her middle school and high school career.

Her son, Geno Woodruff, now 19, also was recognized by the County Alliance.

Jones said conferences sponsored by the alliances bring parents, teachers and administrators together to learn how to stay updated and involved within their students' lives, she said.

"It's amazing being with amazing teachers in Ohio," Jones said. "You're meeting others around the country and that's showing you to be grateful for what you have."

"I attribute this organization to a lot of success I've had. You see a growth in our students to where they are (performing well) in reading and math and being in a good spot to where the state isn't knocking at our door."



OABSE 2019 Student Honoree



Kailah Stephens

OABSE 2019 Administrator Honoree Profile



Tracey L. Mallory

"It is easier to build strong children than to repair broken men." – Fredrick Douglas



Tracey L. Mallory is a graduate of Fisk University, in Nashville, TN. She received her master's degree in special education from West Virginia University, and her administrative certifications from Antioch-McGregor in Yellow Springs, OH.

Her career began as a Special Education teacher, working specifically with students who had Severe Emotional Disturbance, in a public-school setting. She then spent several years in a charter school setting, as the Special Education Supervisor. Administratively, Mrs. Mallory has been the Asst. Principal and Principal of Orville Wright Elementary School and Horace Mann Elementary School, both schools in the Dayton City School District. From there, she took the lead as the Executive Director of Exceptional Children and Special Programming for the district. Working in the central office setting led Mrs. Mallory to fully understand and accept where she could be MOST impactful for the children and families in her community. This awakening led her to the decision to go back to where ALL the magic really

happens, in the schoolhouse. She is currently the principal at Westbrooke Village Elementary school, in the Trotwood-Madison School District.

Her professional interests focus on building the social-emotional well-being of young people of color and making sure they have the skills needed to become successful in the 21st Century. Her sincere belief that "culture trumps strategy", is the guiding force behind her work. Her current work with Culturally Responsive Teaching practices has allowed her to lead the district in reducing discipline referrals and decreasing the out of school suspensions by more than 50% in the 2017-2018 school year.

In addition to being a mother of a first year college student, and a wife of 20 years, she is an adjunct professor at the University of Dayton where she teaches courses on Multicultural Education and Leadership in Diverse Communities. She has been a life-long member of Phillips Temple CME Church. Her other community involvement includes being a member of Zeta Phi Beta, Sorority, Inc. and The Dayton Chapter of the Links, Inc.

OABSE 2019 Student Honoree



Deonsiya Finley



OABSE 2019 Administrator Honoree Profile



Shawyna Deneen McFadden



Shawyna Deneen McFadden is currently an elementary Principal for Columbus City Schools. Ms. McFadden started her career in education 23 years ago as an Elementary teacher for Akron Public Schools in 1996. She services as a teacher/educator at Rankin Elementary School. In 2001, Ms. McFadden was hired by Columbus City Schools, where she served as a Leadership Intern from 2001 to 2002. After serving as a Leadership Intern Ms. McFadden was assigned to be the Principal of East Columbus Elementary. Ms. McFadden has continued to serve in her capacity as an Elementary Principal for Columbus City Schools.

Ms. McFadden was born and raised in Akron, Ohio. She attended Tuskegee University and the University of Akron where she attained her Bachelor's and Master's Degree. Ms. McFadden was a BECOME scholar while attending the University of Akron. Ms. McFadden has always worked in some capacity with children. She knew at the tender age of eight that she wanted to be a teacher

after watching the Marva Collins story starring Cicely Tyson. Marva Collins was a true pioneer in education and always believed every child was valuable. All meant all and no child would be counted out. As an educator Ms. McFadden has continued to strive for excellence from herself, her children, staff, students and parents. Ms. McFadden believes education is a calling to service. She is in service to her students and community. Education is the very foundation of our lives which propels us to our destination in life.

Ms. McFadden has received recognition from Columbus City Schools in 2009 for continuing to move her school forward academically. Ms. McFadden has presented to the ESC and Columbus City School Board. Ms. McFadden believes every day is a learning experience when working with children. "I learn from my student and they propel me to be better every day. I owe it to them to be the best and do the best for them every moment and chance I get. My students motivate me and give me courage. I have to speak for them for I once was them!"

OABSE 2019 Student Honoree



Savannah Abraham



Nakia Smoot



Nakita Smoot is currently the principal of Georgian Heights Alternative Elementary School in Columbus, Ohio. She has provided instructional leadership in her role as principal for over 12 years in the Columbus City Schools District. Outside of school, Mrs. Smoot enjoys spending time with husband Derrick and children, Sascha and Derrick.

Mrs. Smoot earned a Bachelor of Science in Education from Kent State University with three special education certifications. She began her career in 1997 as a special education teacher at Easthaven Elementary School. During her tenure at Easthaven, Mrs. Smoot served on several leadership committees and had aspirations to impact students beyond the classroom. Nakita went on to earn her Masters of Education in Education Administration from Ohio University.

Although Mrs. Smoot has served various capacities in education, it is the role of principal that she is most passionate about. Her greatest strength is building relationships with students, staff and the community. New students have commented that they have had behavioral difficulties at former schools but have improved once they attended Georgian Heights.

During Mrs. Smoot's tenure as principal in Columbus City Schools she received the "Grace Under Fire" award from former Superintendent Dr. Good. The award acknowledges Mrs. Smoot's ability to face adversity, inspire others, rise to challenging situations and excel beyond measure. While at Georgian Heights, she has received Gold Recognition 2018 from The Ohio PBIS Network for going over and above to implement Positive Behavior Instructional Supports. Georgian Heights has moved from Ohio Department of Education designation "Watch Status" to "Independent" status. If you ask, Mrs. Smoot credits the continuous awards and achievements to the amazing staff that works tirelessly to meet the needs of students and move them forward.

Mrs. Smoot looks forward to continuing her educational career building teacher leaders and increase academic achievement of students by holding them accountable for learning.

OABSE 2019 Student Honoree



Hildra Smith



Lenelle E. Taylor, MSA



Lenelle Taylor began her teaching career with Columbus City Schools at Franklin Alternative Elementary as an intermediate teacher. As a new teacher, she was recognized by her principal and superintendent as a "Good Apple Teacher" in appreciation of her dedication to students.

Early in her career, Mrs. Taylor entered into administration as a vice-principal at West Broad Elementary where she strategically collaborated with staff and administration to bring innovative projects and learning experiences to the school community including 5th grade camping, science and math clubs.

As a new principal, Mrs. Taylor was assigned to North Linden Elementary where she served as the principal for 10+ years. During her tenure at North Linden Elementary the school received notable recognition as the only school in the district to earn all A's on the school report card in the area of Progress in 2011.

After advancing North Linden to higher levels of academic achievement, Mrs. Taylor was asked to lead Avalon Elementary as the principal. Her vision and accomplishments at Avalon include:

Increasing student achievement by focusing on data analysis, improving instructional practices and building strong teacher teams.

Engaging parents and community members to support students' academic, social and emotional development.

Fostering the use of technology in the classroom to enhance educational opportunities for students to learn.

In recent years, Mrs. Taylor has service on various district leadership committees such as the Professional Development Committee and the Assessment and Testing Committee where she shared critical experiences and knowledge to support district initiatives.

She is a member of the National Elementary School Principals and earned credentials to be a Principal Mentor through NAESP, is a member of the Columbus Elementary Administrators Association and volunteers for various organizations in her spare time.

Mrs. Taylor has a Bachelor of Science on business Management and a Masters in Educational Administration. She believes in life-long learning and frequently takes classes to sharpen her skills to stay abreast of current trends in education. Mrs. Taylor loves working with staff members and students. She considers it an honor to serve the Avalon school community as a principal, partner and friend.

She and her family appreciate travel and spending quality time together worshipping, visiting museums, restaurants and sporting events. She loves attending professional basketball games and is a proud fan of the Cleveland Cavaliers.

OABSE 2019 Student Honoree



Naana Osei-Bobie

OABSE 2019 Administrator Honoree Profile



Larry J. Thomas



Larry J. Thomas is the assistant principal at Langston Middle School. This is his 39th year in the Oberlin Public School District, having held positions as a mathematics teacher, a basketball, track, and football coach. Langston Middle School Principal (1987-2003), Oberlin High School Principal (2003-2006), Oberlin High School Assistant Principal (2006-2018), and Oberlin High School Athletic Director (2009-2013). As his lengthy tenure reflects, he is a dedicated, committed, and enthusiastic member of the Oberlin team and community.

Larry holds a B.S. degree in Elementary Education from Central State University and an M.A. degree in Educational Administration and Supervision from the University of Michigan. A Dayton, Ohio native, he graduated from Dayton Paul L. Dunbar High School.

Larry has received numerous awards and accolades, including being named Educator of the Year on two occasions by the Lorain County Urban League and separately by the Oberlin Negro and Professional Women, Inc. and Special Recognition from the NAACP Oberlin Unit in 2018.

In October 2016, in Dayton, Ohio, Larry was inducted into the Audrey Norman Turner Society of the Central State University Foundation. The society is the highest giving honor an alumnus can receive.

Larry's mantra about education: "Education is an extremely rewarding profession. It gives you an opportunity to have a positive impact on youth and the community. My advice is to work constantly on building positive relationships with everyone. Once those relationships are established, you can then encourage and mentor students and adults. Secondly communicate with everyone positive and honestly so that they feel respected."

Larry has been married to Caprice Bragg for over 27 years and they are blessed with two sons, Jordan and Ryan,

OABSE 2019 Student Honoree



Kenneth D. Smith

OABSE 2019 Administrator Honoree Profile



David M. Thompson Jr.



David M. Thompson Jr. received a B.A. in Middle School education with a focus in Mathematics and Social Studies from University of Akron, a Master's degree in Counseling Education from Malone College, a Master's degree in School Leadership from the University of Akron and is currently the principal at STEAMM Academy @ Hartford Middle School. He is the honored husband of Danielle N. Thompson (Parker), proud father of David (Beloved) M. Thompson III (11), Takeo (many blessings, child) Nicole Thompson (9), and Datiel (God's knowledge) James Thompson (5).

David deserves such an award because of his belief in the process of student and staff, "Finding their Genius". This is a phrase coined and brought to life by giving access and opportunities for innovation to everyone.

His desire to push the envelope with the norms of education is a daily pursuit. Men like him come along to ensure that everyone can grow in our thinking and creativity. David always gives everyone around him credit for their contributions and efforts to make each dream a reality. Evidence of this type of character is on display at the STEAMM Academy on the "Find Your Genius" board where articles published about the accomplishments of students, staff and stakeholders are showcased - without images of him.

He is a true servant leader who is a part of the "think tanks" focused on making our community better. Many come for his counsel about topics that go beyond the scope of the school. David enjoys being a cog in the wheel of the pursuit of progress. His footprints of influence and impact are the embodiment of how everyone truly has a genius (tapped or untapped) inside of them.

David successfully completed the Cleveland State University's Institute of Transformational Leadership program and Battelle's Innovative Leaders Institute program. His other accomplishments include being a part of the levy committee for Canton City School District and it passing on the first attempt. He is a disciple of Mount Calvary Missionary Baptist Church, led by the late Pastor Joseph H. Harkless. A proud member of the Lelia Green alliance of Black School Educators and the NAACP of Stark County. David's most recent accomplishments are being the leader of one of three ODE and Battelle recognized STEAM schools in the state and transforming a school of focus into an independent school.

OABSE 2019 Student Honoree



Emilio Partridge



Tonya West Wright



Tonya West Wright is the Director of Teaching and Learning for Elementary Schools in the Princeton City School District located in Sharonville, Ohio. Tonya has served in this position since 2015. Prior to her position as director of teaching and learning, Tonya served as principal of Evendale Elementary School from 2012–2015. Tonya is married to Ronald Wright Jr. and they live in Fairfield, Ohio. They are the proud parents of Tre, who is in first grade, and Taiylor, who is a junior at The Ohio State University. Tonya is the proud daughter of Larry and Denisa West who are her biggest supporters along with her sister, Sonia, and niece, Sydney.

Mrs. West Wright received academic recognition and earned a full academic scholarship to The Ohio State University. She earned her Bachelor of Arts Degree in English and then earned her Master of Arts in Education at the University of Michigan. She has completed post-graduate work wherein she has received her superintendent license. After graduation, Mrs. West Wright became a teacher and

a volleyball coach at Northwest High School, where she had attended high school and received several accolades for her athletic ability.

Prior to coming to the Princeton City School District, Mrs. West Wright was a principal at Winton Woods Intermediate School for five years and an assistant principal at Winton Woods High School for four years. Her teaching experiences at the secondary level include five years at Northwest High School in Cincinnati, Ohio and one year at Huron High School in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Tonya states, “These experiences allowed me to gain a wealth of knowledge. My current role allows me to work with educators to implement strategies and programs that will meet the needs of all students and will help narrow and ultimately close the achievement gap between students of all ethnicities and socio-economic levels.”

Mrs. West Wright has a passion for improving teaching and learning to enable all students to be prepared for college, career and life success. She supervises all elementary principals and sets high expectations for them as instructional leaders of their buildings. She provides principals with professional learning opportunities that enable them to focus on good instructional practices that yield high standards of student achievement and instructional excellence. She believes that conducting formative assessments and using data to improve teaching and learning is paramount for student growth.

Mrs. West Wright provides leadership and vision in the ongoing planning, implementation, development, direction, review and evaluation of the district’s elementary curriculum, assessment and instructional programs. This includes the district’s gifted programs, early childhood programs and federal programs. She works with principals to ensure that teachers provide high-quality instruction, using a multi-tiered system of supports that focus on closing the achievement gap and guarantees access and equity for all students. Because of this practice, there has been an increase in the percentage of African American children identified as gifted students in the district. In addition, seven of the eight elementary schools received a grade of B or higher on the Gap Closing indicator of the Local School Report Card. Specifically, four schools received an A and three schools received a B. Tonya’s leadership has enabled the district’s preschool programs to maintain a Step Up To Quality five-star rating. A five-star rating is the highest that is given to preschool programs by the Ohio Department of Education. The rating indicates that our preschool programs promote learning and development which leads to improved outcomes for children and meet quality program standards that exceed preschool and school-age child care licensing health and safety regulations..

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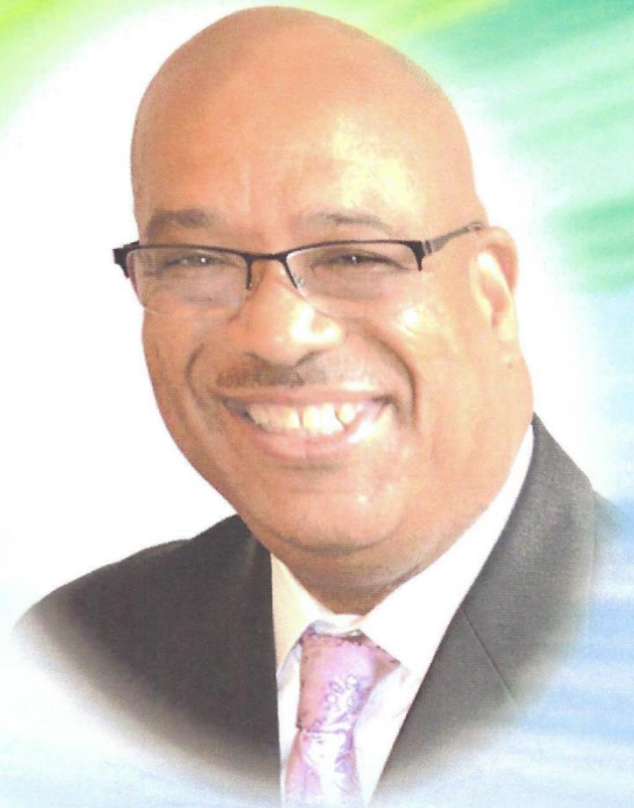
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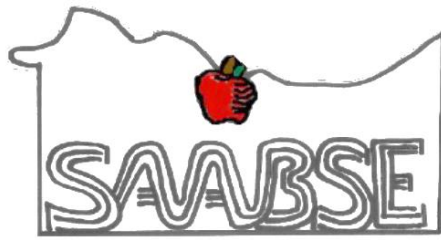
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You are a wonderful person! Your dedication and commitment to the students and staff at Wedgewood Middle School reinforces our belief that good educators still exist.

God has allowed you to be in the position you are, to fulfill His special purpose for this generation of students.

We thank God for you, and the many ways He is using you to make a difference. Being caring and dedicated, your tireless efforts have not gone unnoticed. Know that you are appreciated for all you've done.

You are commended for your dedication in creating an atmosphere that engages students and staff alike, which enhances their interest in the learning process

We Love You



Congratulations!!!

To the outstanding *Ohio Alliance of Black School Educators* on your 6th Annual Administrator Appreciation and Student Recognition Banquet "Educate – Innovate - Elevate" We're excited about this year's theme as it promises to acknowledge and build solid leadership within our community!

Miss Deonsiya Finley

for her academic performance and leadership displayed throughout her school tenure. We also thank the OABSE for their hard work and dedication in hosting this year's conference.

With Much Love and Support,
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CONGRATULATIONS

to the 2019
OABSE Exemplary Honorees



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Congratulations Ms. Joy Jones!



I AM SO PROUD OF YOU!

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CONTINUE TO DO YOUR BEST AND BE A ROLE MODEL TO ALL.**

- MOMMY

**CONGRATULATIONS TO MY
MOM AND SOROR!**

**THANK YOU FOR SETTING A
GREAT EXAMPLE FOR ME AS A FORMER
STUDENT AND AS AN ADULT
IN THE WORKPLACE.
I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING
THE MANY MORE ACCOMPLISHMENTS
YOU HAVE AHEAD.**

- KANDACE



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CONGRATULATIONS MOM!

**HARD WORK PAYS OFF. KEEP EXCELLING AND
MAKING YOUR FAMILY PROUD.**

- GENO

Congratulations

Jerome Johnson

For making a difference and improving the lives of the young people in Sandusky.

Marian Wright Edelman said "Education is for improving the lives of others and for leaving your community and world better than you found it."



Tom and Myra Boggs

Congratulations

Lenelle Taylor

*Behind every good school, there is an amazing leaders.
We are proud that you are named Principal of the Year, and we
congratulate you for this outstanding achievement.*



*The Greater Cincinnati Alliance of Black School Educators, Inc.
(GCABSE)*



Salutes
Dr. Jonathan Brown

*For his dedication to the Students of
Cincinnati Public Schools
and the Cincinnati Community*

*For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord,
"plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you
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Jeremiah 29:11 (NIV)*

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- SHS received an overall "A" in Value Added Categories
- Only 4% of schools in Ohio earn this award
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Ohio Alliance of Black School Educators

The National Alliance of Black School Educators (NABSE) was founded in 1973, by several prominent black educators. This organization is the largest network of African American educators in the country.

The Ohio Alliance of Black School Educators (OABSE) was organized to carry out the goals and objectives of NABSE in an ongoing effort to embrace the opportunities of the 21st Century for our children and stay abreast and keep the African American community informed of the latest educational and school improvement issues, strategies, research findings, technology, testing and legislation issues.



OABSE was founded in a meeting in Columbus, Ohio in 1978, by Dr. Robert Evans and the first officers: Dr. Patricia Ackerman, President; Evie B. Ashburn, 1st Vice President; Dr. Ronald Edwards, 2nd Vice President; Dr. Amos J. White, secretary; and Renee Harrison, treasurer. The commission officers were administrators Dr. Daniel Drake, chairperson; Herman Noland, vice chairperson, and Dr. Rosie M. Doughty, secretary. Since that time, ten (10) Ohio affiliates have been organized around the state. They are: Akron, Canton (Leila Green), Cincinnati, Cleveland Heights, Franklin County, Lorain County, Metro Cleveland, Springfield, Toledo and Youngstown.

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