



CENTRAL GEORGIA TECHNICAL COLLEGE **REBOUND!** CGTC ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM NEWSLETTER | AUGUST 2018

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ADULT EDUCATION DIVISION PARTNERS WITH LOCAL ROTARY CLUB

During the May monthly meeting of the Rotary Club of Centerville, Georgia, Dr. Wanda West, CGTC's Adult Education special projects manager, was invited as the guest speaker to address the club members on how their support has impacted the future of several high school drop-outs and non-skilled high school graduates.

In efforts to take the Adult Education Division to another level, Dr. West shared the vision on why career pathways are essential in meeting the needs of young people on the streets. The career pathway model is designed to get drop-outs off the streets and into the GED® classroom and/or skills-based jobs and colleges. Club members were astonished to learn the fact and pledged their support of the Adult Education Division.

The Rotary Club of Centerville has partnered with the Central Georgia Technical College Adult Education Career and Opportunity Center (CGTC-ADCOC) over the years as co-sponsor for the annual Volunteer Luncheon held each April. During the luncheon, the club president presented a check to the CGTC Foundation to provide financial support for General Education Diploma (GED®) scholarships. The scholarship fund ensures that each recipient receives a no-cost GED®.

Pictured above (L-R): Dr. Wanda West, Erin Kitchens, Rotary Club of Centerville President, and Kathy Hart, Rotary Club of Centerville Coordinator.

FY 2018 STATISTICS



2,432
Adult Education
Students
Enrolled

828

General
Education
Diploma (GED®)
Graduates

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TEACHER OF THE YEAR: **LISA DENNIS**

Lisa Dennis enjoys planting seeds of knowledge, ideas, and concepts that bloom in the lives of her students. She desires for them to reach their educational goals and the next chapter of their lives. She has worked in the Adult Education Division of CGTC for 17 years after beginning as a volunteer in 2000.

According to Dennis, her greatest passion in life is to make herself better through, "understanding, consciousness, and productivity." Her students and family inspire her to keep teaching and working with adult learners.

When asked about a bucket list for her life, she said assisting her last child in the completion of high school and college, and completing her dissertation to earn a PhD in Public Policy and Administration are among her priorities. The list also includes skydiving and traveling.

Dennis said that this award is a big deal for her.

"It gives me a sense of validation. It's nice to be recognized for my efforts," she said.

Dennis, who strives for continuous improvement daily, is the mother of Ebony, 24 and Terrion, 14.

NATIONAL ADULT EDUCATION HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTION CEREMONY (NAEHS)



The annual National Adult Education Honor Society (NAEHS) Induction was held at CGTC on April 25, 2018. Forty students were nominated by their teachers based upon their dependable attendance, a cooperative attitude, and their work ethic according to the National Honor Society's Selection Criteria. The Adult Honor Society Members received a Letter of Recommendation for Employment from their local chapter, a NAEHS membership certificate and a pin during the induction ceremony.

In addition, the Adult Education program provided an honor cord to each inductee. According to the NAEHS, members have an advantage in job applications and promotions due to their NAEHS recommendation. Members serve as ambassadors for the Adult Education program.

The mission of the National Adult Education Honor Society is to provide meaningful recognition to deserving students, to improve student employment opportunities, to develop student ambassadors for local adult education programs and to create adult education awareness with school administrators and state legislators.



2018 EAGLE DELEGATE: CHERESE CLAYTON

As the Exceptional Adult Georgian in Literacy Education (EAGLE) delegate for CGTC in 2018, Chereese Clayton is out to prove she is overcoming life's challenges with the confidence of earning her GED®.

Clayton represented the College at the EAGLE Leadership Institute in Atlanta in March 2018.

The EAGLE Leadership Institute recognizes and honors those students who have demonstrated superior achievement in adult education classes and programs.

AED instructor, Ethel Ross, nominated Clayton to be the delegate.

"Chereese Clayton is an outstanding, hardworking, and caring student who demonstrates leadership by encouraging and motivating her peers to complete their goals. She helps recruit students into the Adult Education program. Chereese attends class regularly, and her persistence and determination towards obtaining a GED® is exemplary. For these reasons, I nominated Chereese Clayton as an EAGLE delegate," said Ross.



ESL SPOTLIGHT by Rosa Lobato de Hubbard, ESL/CIVICS Instructor

Whether someone chooses to improve their English language skills to find a job, earn a college degree, or industry certification at CGTC, the Adult Education English Language Program (ELP), offers a unique immersion environment and experiences with U.S. culture. ELP students spend a substantial portion of their academic time working on language acquisition and academic achievements that dramatically broaden their perspective and prepare them for their future career goals.

Ysabella Escalona was a student in the program for three months, and the program's effect on her transition to America was apparent. A very eager and responsible learner, Escalona, a Venezuelan native, moved swiftly through classes achieving her goals and enrolling in Accelerating Opportunity classes while finishing the program. She graduated with a GED® diploma and enrolled at Middle Georgia State University right away. Her major there is New Media and Communications, and she just finished her first semester with an excellent GPA.



For more on this story, please visit the *Campus News* section of the website at www.centralgatech.edu/campus-news.

OUR CENTERS

For more information, contact the CGTC Adult Education center nearest to you.

Baldwin County	(478) 445-5669
Bibb County	(478) 757-6669
Crawford County	(478) 836-6024
Dooly County	(229) 268-3904
Houston County	(478) 218-3769
Jones County	(478) 221-3119
Monroe County	(478) 992-2880
Peach County	(478) 218-3746
Pulaski County	(478) 783-3017
Putnam County	(706) 923-5016
Twiggs County	(478) 945-2206

CGTC CAMPUSES

Warner Robins Campus
80 Cohen Walker Drive
Warner Robins, GA 31088

Macon Campus
3300 Macon Tech Drive
Macon, GA 31206

Milledgeville Campus
54 Highway 22 West
Milledgeville, GA 31061



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SERVICES PROVIDED AT NO COST

The Adult Education Division of Central Georgia Technical College provides individualized educational support with basic skills at no cost to the student. We serve students 16-years of age and older, by improving his/her ability to read, write, compute, speak, listen and to development English literacy skills.

Services include:

- Pre-GED®
- GED® Preparation
- College Preparation
- Career Readiness
- English Literacy/Civic Program
- Citizenship Prep Classes
- Accelerated Opportunity-Dual Enrollment
- ASVAB, ACCUPLACER, and Compass Preparation

READY TO ENROLL?

Students can begin at any time at any of CGTC's 11 Adult Education locations.

Steps to Success:

- Complete a CGTC Adult Education application
 - Bring a Georgia Driver's License or ID
- Complete the CGTC-AEP Orientation
- Work with assigned staff to pre-assess your educational needs
- Attend daily classes (or when your schedule allows)
- Earn college credit at CGTC while working on your GED® through the Accelerating Opportunity Program
- Complete preparation for the GED® Test
 - Earn your GED® by scoring 145 or higher in each core area: Reading, Mathematics, Social Studies, & Science
- Graduate and attend Central Georgia Technical College!