

SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

June 2, 2022

Shannon Grants for Innovative Projects Award Ceremony - August 19, 2022

Three Charlottesville City Schools teachers will receive grants from the Edgar and Eleanor Shannon Foundation for Excellence in Public Education. Totaling \$6,938, the grants make possible innovative educational projects.

Charlottesville grant-winners are:

- Catherine Gray, Clark Elementary School, \$5,000 for "We Take Care" to promote school-wide, community-oriented learning opportunities and service opportunities.
- Samantha Pagni, Charlottesville High School, \$1300 for "Mind Your Biz," an entrepreneurial project for special education art classes
- Maggie Pfuntner, Walker Upper Elementary School, \$638 for "STEM Bins for All" to bring STEM supplies into everyday learning

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2022 Retirees

Please join me in honoring and thanking all our retirees (shown below with location and years of service in Cville Schools):

- Paula Culver-Dickinson, Division Administration Annex (19 years)
- James Gordan, Adult Education (19 years)
- George Inge, Greenbrier Elementary School (15 years)
- Susan Muse, Buford Middle School (20 years)
- Elizabeth Petry, Greenbrier Elementary School (8 years)
- Margaret Roach, Buford Middle School (22 years)
- Eileen Sims, Jackson-Via Elementary School (3 years)
- Ramona Spinner, Jackson-Via Elementary School (31 years)
- Cynthia Swensson, Buford Middle School (3 years)
- Laura Thomas, Charlottesville High School (40 years)
- Mary-Elizabeth Via, Buford Middle School (12 years)
- Carolyn Washington, Walker Upper Elementary (30 years)
- Karen Wilson, Charlottesville High School (29 years)



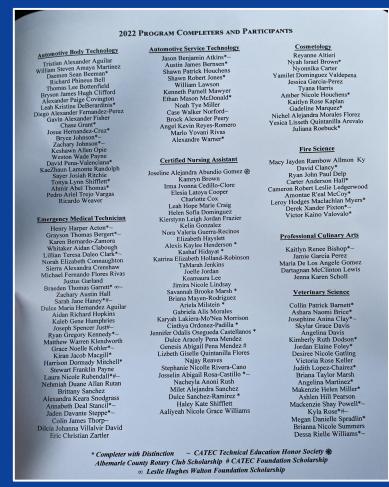


Thanks to these folks for their contributions to our schools – and thanks to all of you. Working together, we each do our part to build a strong and supportive school community.

2022 CATEC Completer Ceremony











Charlottesville-Albemarle Technical Education Center (CATEC) celebrated 148 completing students' achievements at its Completer Ceremony on May 31 at the Martin Luther King Jr. Performing Arts Center. Students from eight CATEC high school programs, representing six local high schools, walked across the graduation stage at 7:00 pm.

Student speakers included Cosmetology student Nyonnika Carter, from Charlottesville High School.

Congratulations to the 2022 CATEC Completers!



Reconfiguration Update

Charlottesville Middle School Modernization

- Signed Contract by the City
- Following approval by the City Council, plans have been moving forward for the redesign of the current Buford Middle School into a modern middle school serving grades 6-8.
- Budget Allocation of \$68.8 million
- Planning will gear up this summer
- VMDO Architects is working closely with stakeholder to solicit input and complete design development by early August.





Pride Month



Why Pride Month is Important?

- Safe
- Affirmed
- Included
- Welcomed
- Respected