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CTAE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

by *Tomas Ramirez, Ph.D.*

Welcome to the first online issue of the Clarke County School District's Career, Technical and Agricultural Education (CTAE) newsletter. A primary purpose of our CTAE newsletter is to provide information to students, parents, teachers, administrators, business and industry partners, post-secondary education partners, and the larger Athens-Clarke County community of the activities, goals, accomplishments, and knowledge and skills development that occur routinely in our career, technical and agricultural education classrooms. With the federal reauthorization of the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act (also known as Perkins V) which was signed into law by the President on July 31, 2018, our CTAE programs expanded to include students in grades 5-12. Previous to this most recent reauthorization, CTAE programs in secondary education encompassed students in grades 7-12 only. With time, I am hopeful that CTAE will become a federally funded program for all students from Kindergarten to grade twelve.

The theme for this issue is JROTC (Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps). Within these pages readers will become familiar with the mission and goals of the JROTC program, its curriculum focus, its instructors, the student competitive events throughout the year, the summer programs, and its signature Winter Ball. I have no doubt that the quality of our JROTC program will become self-evident once you get the opportunity to peruse the photos and information in this issue. While Covid-19 brought unprecedented challenges to all sectors of society and to public schooling, CTAE programs continued to provide quality instruction and opportunities for students to demonstrate success in and out of the classroom.

With warm regards,

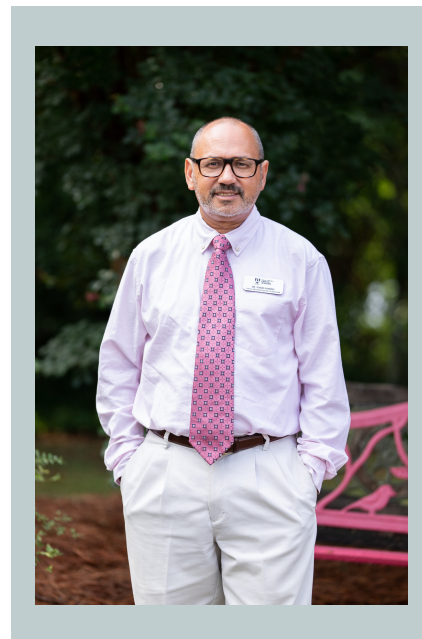
Tomás Ramírez, Ph.D.

Dean of Students, Athens Community Career Academy

CTAE Director/World Languages Coordinator Clarke County School District

CTAE NEWSLETTER NON-DISCRIMINATION STATEMENT

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CTAE PROMOTES EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS

"Our children are our future workforce. This is a competitive world and those that are equipped to play the game will have a greater chance to win. Every child deserves the right to read, to solve simple math problems, to communicate effectively and to chart his/her future..." (David Bradley, Athens Banner-Herald, January 29, 2019)

David Bradley, President & CEO
Athens Area Chamber of
Commerce

WHAT IS CTAE?

CTAE FAST FACTS

CTAE students are more likely to be motivated and interested in their coursework because of real-world experiences and, as a result, are less likely to drop out of high school.

CTAE programs partner with businesses to equip students with the skills needed by industry and employers that are vital to the local or regional economy.

CTAE plays a critical role in training workers for hard-to-fill positions such as skilled trade workers, teachers, administrative staff, nurses, and technicians.

Students who participate in CTAE have the opportunity to earn dual credit and/or national certifications as part of their high school coursework.



CTAE provides equity and access for all students from all socioeconomic backgrounds and academic ability levels, which can prepare them for high-skill, high-wage, and in-demand careers.

(Source: GaDOE)

CTAE IN THE FIELD



JASIYAH BURGESS

by Katie Ansley

Jasiyah is a 2020 graduate of Clarke Central High School in Athens, GA. She participated in Work-Based Learning with Caterpillar during the 2019-2020 school year. Jasiyah Burgess was recently hired full-time with Caterpillar in Athens, GA and is the recipient of the GPP Caterpillar Graduation Certificate of Achievement. Jasiyah plans on going to Athens Tech in 2021, with Caterpillar paying her tuition. She is being presented with a certificate from Mrs. Garrison that says "For outstanding performance and leadership as a member of Great Promise Partnership and for your hard work and contributions as a valued employee of Caterpillar." We are so very proud of her.

Katie Ansley, WBL Coordinator, Clarke Central High School and Wesley Mellina, Workforce Development Coordinator, Clarke County Schools

PICTURED

Left - Joy Pirkle, Material Requirement Planning Supervisor, Hilda Garrison, GPP Regional Coordinator, Jasiyah Burgess, and Jake Verstraete, Factory Manager for Assembly Operations

Submitted by: Katie Ansley

Below - McKenna Ezekiel, Teaching As a Profession Pathway Student

Photo by: Parents of the Student

Submitted by: Student and Approved by Parents

MCKENNA EZEKIEL

Congratulations to McKenna Ezekiel of the Athens Community Career Academy, Teaching As a Profession Pathway, as Student of the Semester of the Clarke County School District in Athens, Georgia.

This is what her instructor (Donna Sherrer-Gantt) had to say about this student: McKenna is a hidden figure. She is a well-organized student that maintains high expectations for herself. She has maintained an A average both semesters. Her current grade is a 99. She has perfect attendance and prides herself on meeting the course requirements and goes above and beyond in the presentation and delivery of her work. She takes her education, learning, participation, and engagement seriously. She values education and it shines through bright! Her peers respect her and value her input in class. She inspires her peers authentically in multiple ways with her down to earth approach and interactions. I highly recommend McKenna for this recognition. She is consistently recruiting students for the ACCA which is added value. Mrs. Gantt



CLARKE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT'S ARMY JROTC PROGRAM

Georgia JROTC MISSION

To motivate young people to be better citizens

OVERVIEW

Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps (JROTC) programs are administered by the Department of Defense and the service branch represented.

Programs are available to students across the state in the Navy, Army, Air Force, and Marines to assist them with the transition to college, a military career, and(/or) the workforce.

BENEFITS OF JROTC

- JROTC is a high school program of instruction designed to teach citizenship and leadership, while installing self-esteem, teamwork, and self-discipline.
- JROTC provides a national curriculum that is used by all branches so it will prepare them for postsecondary JROTC programs at the college level or entry into the military.
- JROTC provides highly successful students the opportunity of possibly being chosen to attend one of the military academies via scholarship.
- JROTC provides cadets, who choose to enlist or enter Senior ROTC, with benefits through higher rank or advancement.
- JROTC's main national goal is to have students graduate from high school, attend institutions of higher learning, and pursue meaningful careers particularly in the areas of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.
- JROTC provides a quality citizenship, character, and leadership development program, while fostering partnerships with communities and educational institutions.
- JROTC emphasizes citizenship and leadership development. Prepares them for success after school.
- JROTC conducts competitions in Drill, Raider Challenge, Riflery, JROTC Academic Bowl and Leadership Challenge (national).
- JROTC programs all participate in community service projects.
- JROTC students can earn the required Health/PE credits through 3 JROTC courses - if system permits.
- JROTC students can earn the required 4th science credit through the AFJROTC "Science of Flight" course.

(Source: Georgia Department of Education)



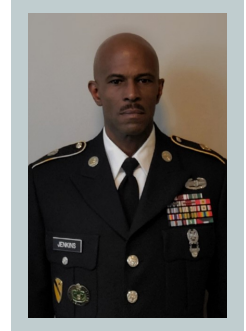
JROTC CEDAR SHOALS

1SG (R) ANTON V. JENKINS

1SG Jenkins enlisted in the Army January of 1984 as an Armor Crewman at Fort Knox, KY. Upon completion of initial training he was assigned to 4/67th Armor located in Germany.

Once assigned to C company 4/67th Armor, he served as Tank Crewman and Gunner. His following assignments during his career include duty at 4/64th Armor located in Fort Stewart Georgia, where he served as a Tank Commander during operation Desert Storm, 2nd Infantry Division located in Korea where he served as Division Plans assistant NCOIC.

The rest of his duty assignments include Tank Instructor at Fort Knox Kentucky, Senior Drill Sergeant Fort Knox Kentucky, Platoon Sergeant at Fort Benning Georgia, and First Sergeant at Fort Bliss Texas.



First Sergeant Jenkins also served as an ROTC Instructor at the University of North Georgia, and the University of North Carolina Pembroke.

First Sergeant Jenkins earned a Bachelor of Arts in Multidisciplinary Studies.

SFC (R) KENNETH L. WASHINGTON JR.

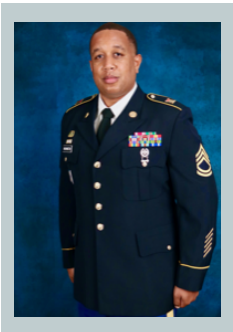
Sergeant First Class Kenneth Washington was born in Staten Island, New York however, spent the majority of his childhood in Moreno Valley, California. He enlisted into the Active Army in March of 2001 and attended Basic Combat Training (BCT) at Fort Jackson, S.C and Advanced Individual Training (AIT) at Redstone Arsenal located in Huntsville, Alabama. Upon completion of training, he was awarded the Military Occupational Specialty (MOS) 89B, Ammunition Handler and throughout his career, he was also awarded the MOS of 92Y, Supply specialist.

Sergeant First Class Washington's assignments and duty positions include Ammunition Specialist, 24th Ordnance Company, Hunter Army Airfield; 559TH Quartermaster Battalion Vehicle Driver (Forward) Kuwait/Pakistan; Ammunition Specialist (Forward) Iraq, 24th Ordnance Company; Supply Specialist (Forward) Afghanistan; Supply Sergeant, 72nd Military Police Detachment, Fort Bliss, Texas; Supply Sergeant, 591st Military Police Battalion, Fort Bliss, Texas; Battalion S4 NCOIC, Camp Humphreys, Korea; HHC Platoon Sergeant, Camp Humphreys, Korea; Brigade Logistic Support Services NCO, Camp Shelby, Mississippi; Supply Sergeant Observer Controller and Trainer (OC/T), Camp Shelby, Mississippi; and lastly Equal Opportunity Advisor, Okinawa Japan. He currently serves as one of three Junior Reserve Officers Training Army Instructors at Cedar Shoals, High School

Sergeant First Class Washington is a graduate of American Military University with a Bachelors of Arts degree in Transportation and Supply Management. His military professional education includes; Basic Leaders Course, Unit Armorer course, Battle Command course (Logistical Support for Blue Force Tracker), Advanced Leaders Course, Unit Prevention Leader, Equal Opportunity Leader, Property Book Supply Enhanced, Master Resilience Trainer, Battle Staff, Combative level 1, Support Operations Phase 1, Observer Controller Academy, Senior Leaders Course, Equal Opportunity Advisor Course

Sergeant First Class Washington's awards include two Meritorious Service Medals, three Army Commendation Medals, A Joint Meritorious Unit Award, three Army Achievement Medals, six Army Good Conduct Medals, National Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Star, two Iraq Campaign Stars, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Korean Defense Service Medal, Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon with numeral '3', an Army Service Ribbon, an Overseas Service Ribbon with numeral '3' and a NATO Medal. He is a recipient of the Order of Saint Martin award and the Military Intelligence Knowlton Award.

Sergeant First Class Washington is married to the former Adrienne Edelen and they have three children: two daughters, Kyndall and Kennedy, and one son, Kael Washington.



JROTC CEDAR SHOALS

MAJ (R) CARLIE A. WILLIAMS JR.

MAJ Williams enlisted into the US Army immediately after high school as a Paralegal Specialist and served in this capacity for 13+ years traveling to multiple duty stations throughout the world in the positions of Battalion Legal Specialist for the 2nd Battalion, 5th Field Artillery in Neu Ulm, Germany- 1988; Community Legal Center Specialist, Neu Ulm, Germany-1990; Pre-Trial NCO, HHC, 10th Mountain Division Legal Center, Fort Drum, NY-1991; Brigade Legal NCO, HHC, 10th Division Artillery; Fort Drum, NY-1993; Hanau Legal Center NCO, Hanau, Germany - 1995; Trial Defense NCOIC, HHC, US Army Garrison, Fort Lewis Washington - 1996; Criminal Law Division Pre-Trial NCOIC, Fort Lewis, WA - 1997; Division Claims NCO -1999, Fort Lewis, WA; Clerk of Court - 6th Judicial Circuit, Seoul, South Korea; 1999; 18th Medical Brigade Legal NCOIC - 2001.

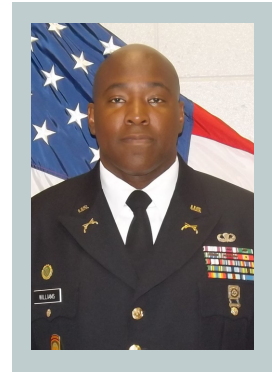
MAJ Williams was commissioned as a Military Police Officer through the Officer Candidate School at Fort Benning, GA in 2002 and served as a Commissioned Officer for another 13+ years. As a MP Officer he worked in several MP units with multiple assignments to include Platoon Leader of the 1st Platoon, 118th MP Co out of Fort Bragg - deployed to Kandahar, Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom in Nov 2002, Company Executive Officer for C Co, 795th MP BN-2004; HHD Commander, 795th MP Bn-2005; A Company Commander, 796th MP B- 2006; 14th MP Bde Logistics Officer- 2008; Task Force Guardian Operations OIC - Combined Joint Staff Operation Enduring Freedom - Bagram, Afghanistan- 2009; Force Protection Officer, 501st Sustainment Bde, Taegu, South Korea-2010; Current Operations OIC, 501st SBDE- 2011; Assistant Professor Military Science ROTC, Alcorn State University, Lorman, MS - 2012; JROTC Senior Army Instructor at Putnam County HS, Eatonton, GA 2014-2017; and has held the position of JROTC Senior Army Instructor at Cedar Shoals HS since 2017.

MAJ Williams received an Associates in Technology thru Pierce College, in Tacoma Washington in 1998, a Bachelor of Science in Communications from the University of Maryland University College, in 2004 and a Master of Arts in Management and Leadership from Webster University in 2010.

MAJ Williams completed the Primary Leadership Development Course in 1992, Basic Non-Commissioned Officer Course in 1994, the Master Fitness Trainer Course in 1996; Military Police Officer Basic Course in 2002; Military Police Officer Advanced Course in 2008; Force Protection Course in 2009; and Military History Course in 2012.

MAJ Williams received several awards throughout his career including: the Joint Services Meritorious Service Medal; the Meritorious Service Medal (3d Awd); Army Commendation Medal (3th Awd); Army Achievement Medal (5th Awd); Good Conduct Medal (4th Awd); the Humanitarian Service Medal and many others. He also became Airborne Qualified in 2002.

MAJ Williams is married to the former Kristi Meiser and they have four sons, Carlie III, Jordan, Kree and Kaegan.



SFC (R) GEORGE R CRIMMINS III

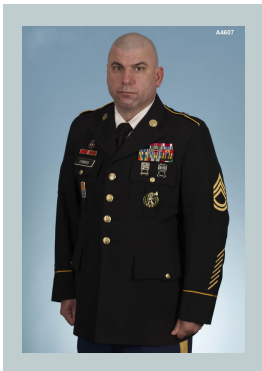
SFC (R) Crimmins has an Associate Degree in General Studies from Central Texas College awarded in May of 2004 and a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Ministry Leadership from Northwest University in May of 2004. He earned a Master of Arts Degree in Christian Ministry from Wayland Baptist University in August 2012. He enlisted into the Army in January of 1990 as a Personnel Management Specialist.

His military education include the Primary Leadership Development Course, Basic Non-Commissioned Officer Course, Advanced Non Commissioned Officer Course, Army Recruiter Course and Station Commander Course and the Guidance Counselor and Operations Course.

His assignments included Personnel Management Specialist 24th PSB and CSG at Fort Stewart, GA, Officer Management Clerk, HHC 8th PERSCOM Seoul, Korea, Student Reassignment NCOIC 306th Military Intelligence Battalion Fort Huachuca, AZ, Enlisted and Records NCOIC HHD 3rd SSB with duty MacDill AFB, FL, Senior Personnel Sergeant and Group Adjutant 6th Military Police Group (CID) Fort Lewis, WA, Senior Personnel Sergeant and Adjutant HHC 25th Signal Battalion Doha, Qatar in support of Operation Iraqi and enduring Freedom, Senior Personnel Sergeant HHC 86th and 504th Signal Battalion Fort Huachuca, AZ, Field Recruiter at San Mateo Recruiting Station Albuquerque Recruiting Company Phoenix Recruiting Battalion Albuquerque, NM, On Production Station Commander at Park Recruiting Station Tucson Recruiting Company and Phoenix Recruiting Battalion Tucson, AZ, Center or Station Commander at Foothills Recruiting Station Tucson Recruiting Company and Phoenix Recruiting Battalion Tucson, AZ, and Battalion Operations and Military Entrance Processing Station Guidance Counselor Portland Recruiting Battalion, Portland, OR.

His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal (2d award), Army Commendation Medal (6th Award), Joint Service Achievement Medal, Army Achievement Medal (6th Award), Meritorious Unit Commendation, Army Superior Unit Award, Army Good Conduct Medal (6th Knot), National Defense Service Medal (bronze star), Korea Defense Service Medal, Southwest Asia Battle Stars, Southwest Asia Service Medal, Global War Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War Terrorism Service Medal, Non Commissioned Professional Development Ribbon (numeral three), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon (2nd award), Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal, Kuwait Liberation Medal, Driver and Mechanic Badge, Basic Recruiter Badge with 3 Gold Stars, Gold Recruiter Badge with 3 Sapphires, Recruiter Ring, and Glen Morrell Award.

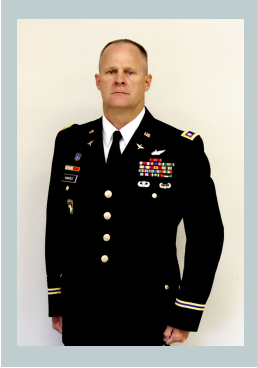
He and his wife of 31 years, Mary, reside in Commerce, GA.



JROTC CLARKE CENTRAL

LIEUTENANT COLONEL DAVID McMICKLE

Lieutenant Colonel David McMickle graduated as a distinguished military graduate from North Georgia College in 1987 with a Baccalaureate Degree in Criminal Justice. He earned a Master's Degree in Human Resources from Troy University in 1996 and a Master's Degree in Security Management from Webster University in 2006.



Lieutenant Colonel McMickle has held numerous command and staff positions throughout his military career. After completing Flight School and the AH-1 Qualification Course at Fort Rucker, Alabama, he was assigned as the Aero Weapons Platoon Leader for Bravo Troop, 2/17th Cavalry Squadron, Fort Campbell, Kentucky. In August 1990, he and his troop deployed as part of the Division Ready Brigade (DRB) for Operations Desert Shield and Storm. He later served as the Assistant Squadron Operations Officer, S3, for the 2/17th Cavalry Squadron. In 1992, Lieutenant Colonel McMickle was assigned as the Assistant Brigade Operations Officer, S3, for the 6th Infantry's Division Aviation Brigade at Fort Wainwright, Alaska. In 1993, he assumed command of Headquarters and Headquarters Troop, 4-9 Cavalry Squadron, Fort Wainwright, Alaska. After the de-activation of the 6th Infantry Division, Lieutenant Colonel McMickle was assigned as an Assistant Operations Officer, S3, to the 18th Aviation Brigade, and later as the Adjutant, S1, to the 229th Attack Helicopter Regiment, at Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

After a permanent change of station to Fort Rucker, Alabama, he assumed command of Alpha Company, 1-11th Aviation Regiment, at Fort Rucker, Alabama. Lieutenant Colonel McMickle later served as the Operations Officer, S3, for the 1-11th Aviation Regiment. In 1999, he was assigned as the Ground Liaison Officer (GLO) for the United States Air Force 8th Fighter Wing, Kunsan Airbase, Korea. Upon returning to the states in 2000, Lieutenant Colonel McMickle was assigned as the 18th Aviation Brigade Adjutant, S1, at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He later served as the Operations Officer, S3, and Executive Officer, XO, for the 1-58th Aviation Regiment at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. Lieutenant Colonel McMickle deployed to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom and to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom, while continuing to deploy the Regiment in support of the Global War on Terrorism. Lieutenant Colonel McMickle served as the Executive Officer (XO) and Professor of Military Science (PMS) for the Georgia Institute of Technology Army ROTC Battalion, in Atlanta, Georgia during the years 2003-2005. As his final active duty station, Lieutenant Colonel McMickle served as the Professor of Military Science (PMS) at Marion Military Institute in Marion, Alabama from 2005-2007. Upon retirement from the U.S. Army in 2007, Lieutenant Colonel McMickle has served the past fourteen years as the Senior Army Instructor (SAI) for the Clarke Central High School Army JROTC, Athens, Georgia.

Lieutenant Colonel McMickle's personal and unit decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal (4 awards), the Air Medal (2 awards), the Army Commendation Medal (2 awards), the Air Force Commendation Medal and the Joint Meritorious Unit Award. He is a Senior Army Aviator, rated in the OH-58 Kiowa, UH-1 Huey, TH-67 Creek, AH-1 Cobra and the UH-60 Blackhawk helicopters, as well as having 150 +/- hours in the F-16D. He is Airborne and Air Assault qualified.

Lieutenant Colonel McMickle is married to the former Beth McGraw and they have, between them, three sons - Brad, Chris and Josh.

JROTC CLARKE CENTRAL

SFC (R) DONALD HOLLMAN



SFC (R) Donald Hollman joined the Army in December of 1994 from his hometown of San Bernardino, California. Enlisting right out of high school, SFC Hollman held numerous positions during his 21 years of service. He enlisted as a 13B Artilleryman cannon crew member, where he attended Fort Sill Oklahoma for OSUT. After training he was sent to Camp Casey Korea in March 1995 where he served in the 2nd Infantry Division as a cannon crew member until March 1996. He then relocated to Fort Lewis Washington and was assigned to I Corp in a small detachment in Yakima Washington as range control.

He left the Army in December 1997 and decided to join the Marine Corps, where he enlisted as a 3112 Transportation Management Specialist. He attended Marine Corps boot camp at San Diego Marine Corps Recruit Depot (MCRD), California and was stationed at Camp Pendleton, Miramar, and MCRD San Diego, where he held the following duties: freight management, household goods supervisor, and passenger travel specialist.

He left the Marines in March 2002 and enlisted into the Army as an 88N Transportation Management Coordinator. Where he served as an Instructor/Writer for the TRADOC at the Transportation School where he taught 88N AIT, until March 2004. SFC Hollman was later sent to 6th Transportation BN, as a movement NCO, where he worked with the 384th Movement Control Team (MCT), providing support to multiple operations ton include, joint inspections and ADACG operations with the Air force at Langley VA and JLOTS operations in Virginia Beach. He later deployed to LSA Kuwait in Oct 2004 during Operation Iraqi Freedom with the 384th MCT as Highway Regulators, monitoring all highways and convoy operations throughout the area of Kuwait.

After returning from Kuwait in Oct 2005, SFC Hollman was relocated to Fort Hood, Texas in January 2006 where he was assigned to 1st Cavalry Division, 15th Sustainment Brigade SPO as the Movements NCO. In August 2006 SFC Hollman deployed to Iraq in Support of Operations Iraqi Freedom and was extended for 3 month to help push the Iraqi surge as the SPO night shift NCOIC.

After returning in Oct 2007, SFC Hollman went into the AGR program. He's first duty assignment was with the 200th MPCOM out of Fort Meade as the G-4 Transportation Management Coordinator NCOIC, where he also served as the Platoon Sergeant for the Head Quarters. SFC Hollman later relocated to Joint Base Lewis McChord in June of 2011 and was assigned to the 382nd CSSB as the SPO NCOIC/Chief Movement Supervisor, which he also held the follow duties, First Sergeant, Billing Official, Physical Security Officer, Classified Material Courier, Mobilization NCOIC, Unit Movement NCOIC and Operations Security Officer. In 2014 SFC Hollman relocated to 311 ESC in Santa Monica California as the Staff Movement NCO, where he retired on August 1, 2015.

Upon retirement SFC Hollman moved to Georgia and was hired by WELS companies as the Warehouse Manager and later took a job with Tulite Glass Company as a production supervisor. In August 2016 SFC Hollman started a career at Clarke Central High School, Athens Georgia as an Army Instructor (AI) for the Army JROTC program.

SFC Hollman's education includes: Southwestern College Master's degree, Leadership, 2015 – Present; Grantham University Bachelor's Degree, Multidisciplinary Studies, 2013 – 2015; Associate of Arts, Multidisciplinary Studies, 2012 – 2013; San Bernardino High School Diploma, 1994. SFC Hollman has earned many specialized training certificates and many awards including the Meritorious Service Medal, Army Achievement Medal (3), National Defense Service Medal (2), Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Overseas Service Ribbon (3). Army Commendation Medal (3), Military Good Conduct Medal,(1) Marine Corps Good Conduct Medal. Army Service Ribbon.

CONNECTION BETWEEN JROTC AND CTAE

JROTC offers the opportunity for high school students to enroll in a leadership/citizenship program coordinated under the umbrella of the Career, Technical and Agricultural Education Division of the Georgia Department of Education. Any three JROTC courses satisfy the requirements for a career pathway, and the JROTC curriculum satisfies national and Georgia Performance Standards (GPS) requirements. JROTC instructors in Georgia are required to secure a Georgia teaching "Permit" through the Professional Standards Commission in addition to their military credential. Georgia has its fair share of available units/programs; however, schools/systems should apply for a program in case expansion is accelerated. A waiting list is maintained by each branch of ~~Service~~ National Defense Cadet Corps (NDCC) programs are also available through the Army, Air Force, and Marine Corps. NDCC programs are equal to JROTC programs except, they are 100% locally funded. JROTC in Georgia (GAJROTC) is an affiliate organization of the Association for Career and Technical Education and Georgia Association for Career and Technical Education. Federal law establishes JROTC units fairly and equitably across the United States.

(Source: Georgia Department of Education)



2020-2021 JROTC STAFF

CLARKE CENTRAL HS

- LTC (R) David McMickle
- 1SG (R) Antione Clark
- SFC (R) Donald Hollman
- CPT Nate Schoffer, UGA
MBA Fellow

CEDAR SHOALS HS

- MAJ (R) Carlie Williams
- SFC (R) George Crimmins
- 1SG (R) Anton Jenkins
- SFC (R) Kenneth
Washington
- SFC (R) Michael Bradford



GEARING UP



Check out the new Broadcast Studio Equipment for the Film Technology Pathway program at ACCA!

Students will now have the opportunity to become Industry Certified in A/V Film Technology and/or Broadcast Studio Production.

PHOTOS SUBMITTED BY:
TEACHER MICHAEL BOSBY

CTAE IN THE FIELD



PICTURED

Left - Cedar Shoals students preparing for a livestock exhibition show. It's the first time that Cedar Shoals High School will be represented in the exhibition show. Submitted by: Julie Throne

Below - Ashley Wilder (Grade 9, Clarke Central High School)
Photo by: Teacher Jaclyn Brown

CEDAR SHOALS LIVESTOCK

by Julie Throne

For the first time EVER, Cedar Shoals will have two livestock exhibitors this upcoming year. One of the students is Delia McElhannon and the other student has the last name Hembree, she is on the girl's softball team. They are rising ninth graders who have never shown livestock before. They have already prepared their goat facility at home and will be getting their goats this weekend. As their advisor, I will be involved in helping them prepare for shows, advice on daily care, and at the shows as well. This is an exciting step for our program.

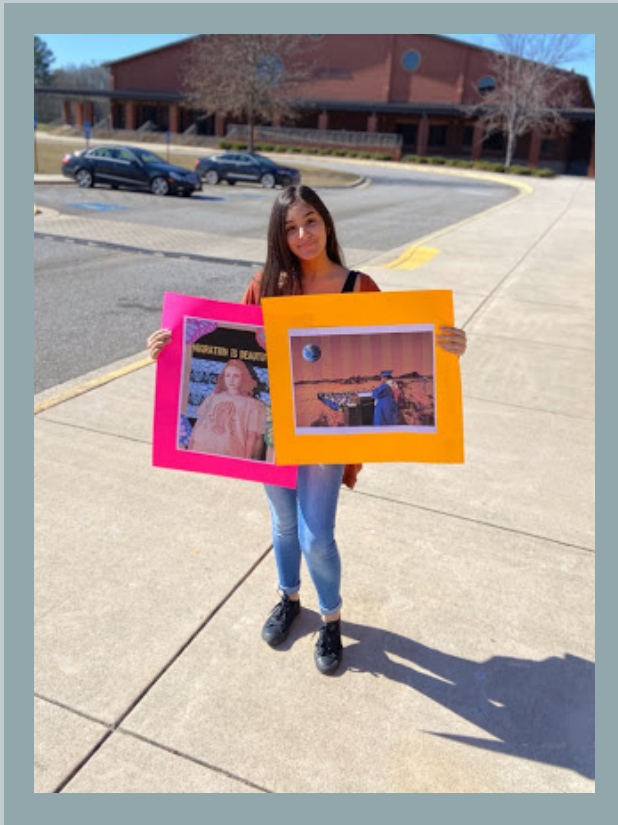
ASHLEY WILDER

by Jaclyn Brown

Congratulations to Ashley Wilder for placing 2nd place in Database Design & Applications for the Regional Future Business Leaders of America Competition.



CTAE IN THE FIELD



DULCE GOMEZ-MERCADO

by *Christine Graziano*

Graphic Design student, Dulce Gomez-Mercado, picks up printed poster hard copies of her works created during distance learning at Cedar Shoals High School.

#CTAEDELIVERS

NIZIA VENTURA

by *Julie Throne*

Nizia Ventura and her teammate Jayivey Brown worked together on an agriscience fair project for the Georgia FFA Agriscience Fair competition. They compared different types of mulch to determine if they all had the same effect on soil moisture retention. They did observe differences among the test groups. They prepared a written report, scientific poster, and video interview to submit for the state level competition.

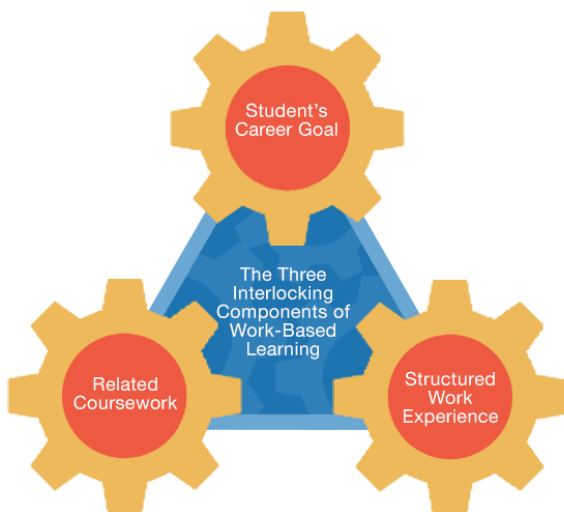


WORK BASED LEARNING

MISSION AND VISION



The mission of the Work-Based Learning Program is to assist in providing a highly trained, technologically sophisticated and career oriented young work force. This is accomplished by developing partnerships between businesses, industries, students, parents, school systems, coordinators, post-secondary institutions, and registered apprenticeships that will lead the participating student into meaningful careers.



Georgia had 19,394 students enrolled in credit bearing Work-Based Learning courses in 2017, which includes 3,219 students in Youth Apprenticeship Placements. The vision of the Work-Based Learning Program includes:

- Creating a seamless transition from career oriented courses in High School to post-secondary education credentials and a successful career.
- Opportunity for students to develop strong

employability skills (soft skills) that will make them desired employees.

- Application of the technical skills learned in related coursework while working in real life employment situations.

For additional information regarding our Work-Based Learning program in CCSD, please contact Wesley Mellina, Workforce Development Coordinator, at mellinaw@clarke.k12.ga.us or at Tel. (706) 357-5244 x-20606.

SUMMER PROGRAMS

ACCA WELDING TRAINING PROGRAM

- 12 Students; June 1st-16th
- Instructed by Workforce Innovators of America
- 70 hours of metal inert gas hands on training
- Students were provided with skills that lead to increased employability a high demand field
- All 11 students who took the American Welding Society Certification Test successfully passed



SUMMER PROGRAMS

ACCA TEACHING AS A PROFESSION TRAINING PROGRAM

- 12 Students June 14th-30th
- Working under the guidance of UGA Clinical Assistant Professor, Dr. Morgan Faison
- Participants acquired best practices and worked directly with students in Folwer Drive Elementary's summer school programs
- Students were provided with hands on experiences in the field of teaching with the goal of increasing the number of educators in Clarke County Schools internally



CLARKE COUNTY STEM ACADEMY

- 36 middle and high school students June 2nd-30th
- Students were introduced to coding, robotics, and engineering
- Program was delivered by Lemuel "Life" LaRoche, Executive Director of Chess and Community and members of his staff
- Students went on industry tours at local manufacturing plants (Caterpillar and ABB) to meet engineers and see robotics and coding in action



Special thanks to Wesley Mellina for serving as the summer programs coordinator