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HCC holds its Recognizing Academic Excellence and Distinguished Service Awards Ceremony

WELDON, N.C. – On April 29, 2021, Halifax Community College recognized students, faculty, and staff members for excellent achievements during the 2020 and 2021 school years. Allen Purser, executive director of the HCC Foundation, served as the master of ceremonies.

HCC President Michael Elam welcomed in person and virtual attendees to the ceremony. During his remarks, Dr. Elam shared that we were gathered to celebrate and honor some of HCC's highest achievers.

Next, Thomas Barrett, Jr., the chairman of the HCC Board of Trustees, offered greetings that emphasized how proud he was of the remarkable achievements of students, faculty, and staff.

Jaquan Edwards, a member of HCC's Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society, followed Mr. Barrett with an enthusiastic invocation that highlighted the importance of community and its role in academic success. After his remarks, there was a presentation of awards.

Dr. Barbara Hasty, vice president of enrollment management and student services, and Dawn Veliky, registrar and director of veterans affairs, presented awards to students who were in attendance. 180 students were recognized for making the Dean's List, President's List, or both.

Afterwards, Dr. Elam and Mr. Barrett recognized four retirees and presented years of service awards to twenty-one faculty and staff members.

Lastly, Dr. Elam and Mr. Barrett presented the distinguished service awards to seven members of the HCC faculty and staff.

Mr. Purser and Dr. Elam concluded the ceremony with closing remarks.

The following HCC students either made the Dean's List, President's List or both during the Spring 2020 semester, Summer 2020 semester or Fall 2020 semester.

DEAN'S LIST

Maggie Adams
Niasia Anthony
David Argo
Amber Bailey
Jimmie Bailey
Hannah Baird
Tanisha Bankert
Essence Barnes
Jacob Barnes

Grayson Basinger
Alexis Bobbitt
Angela Boone
Alivia Brinkley
Inayah Britt
Aeonique Brown
A'nya Burgess
Kiara Byrd
Daryl Canady (F/S)
Skylar Capps

Nikia Clapp (F/S)
Samaria Clark (F/S)
Nicholas Coker
Emerald Contee
William Cooke
McKenzie Coston
Austin Crawley
Madison Crawley
Mya Cypress
Jasper Daniel

Christy Davis
Cole Davis
Ashley Deaton
Kaleb Deloatch
Kaniyah Deloatch
Lizbeth Dickens
Jessica Ellington
Daisha Ellis
Dakota Etheridge (F/S)
Abigail Fleming
A'kayla Frazier
Kiersten Garris
Laura Gillikin
Kavon Green
Jabari Hargrove
Morgan Harmon
Annette Harper (F/S)
Jayquan Harvey
Ricardo Hernandez
Rekita Hill
Amber Jackson
Kayla Jackson
Jasmine Jacobs (F/S)
Crystal Johnson
Jessica Jones
Joy Jones
Mary Kearney
Amber Keeter
Ayesha Klotz
Miranda Lee
Angela Love
Kayleigh MacLeod
Donte Martin
Grace Mason
Rachel Massey
Jessica Mayo
Kaitlyn McNair
Tallis Milburn (F/S)
Crystal Mitchum
Jacoya Moore
Marcus Morris
Karren New
Darrell Newsome
Alijah Nicholson
Melissa Norton
Alexander Ortiz-Thompson
Laila Owens
Mallaury Pageau
Marybeth Parrish
Reginald Pepper
Kennedy Phillip
Jade Pineda Cruz
Anayeli Pineda-Cruz

Jonathan Pittard
Khadasia Ponton
Katelynn Porch
Emily Powell (F/S)
Brittney Ray
Vivian Rich
Sandra Roberts
Malik Robinson (F/S)
Ethan Rountree
Victoria Russell
Elizabeth Schmaltz
Taylor Scott
Alozondria Silver
Quiara Silver
Ania Sledge
Emily Smith
Gregory Smith
Isaiah Smith
Jemarius Smith
Kaitlyn Smith
Ryan Spillane
Janisha Stephens
Melissa Storey
Aaron Strickland
Ryan Stricklett
Tabitha Taylor
Cierra Thompson
Caya Tyner
Alyssa Walton
Shabrayla Ward
Glennelle Watson
Jacie Webb (F/S)
Abigail Williams
Dominique Williams
Jeremiah Williams
Keshay Williams (F/S)
Stephanie Williams
Tamyia Williams
Lonnie Wood
Chelsey Wrenn
Zaqir X

PRESIDENT'S LIST

Marissa Anderson
Katie Archer
Olaoluwa Badejo
Danisha Baker
De'asia Boone
Jerry Brooks
Logan Burnette
Skylar Carter
Ja'mecca Champion
Ma Joanna A. Cipriano (F/S)

William Cooke
Catherine Cox
Rosa Daniel
Hunter Davis
Elizabeth Edwards
Kelvin Edwards
Issac Evans
Nyla Fields
Nikki Fjeldheim
Erica Fleetwood
Taylor Floyd
Myra Fox
Kayla Gaertner
Alexis Garner
Estavia Gay
Jaidon Geter
Carrie Hall
Rachelle Hall
Allyson Harden
Christopher Harrison
Sadie Johnson
Tonya Jones
Gabrielle Long
Enyaw McCain
Miriam McCoy
Priscilla Meadows
Sherwainke Mitchell
Aldrin Mosqueda
Shonte Myrick
Cameron Neal
Mikenda Neville
Britney Newsome
Olivia Pablo-Castro
Kimberly Parker
Brian Phan
Miltonia Pierce
Jonathan Pittard
Kae'sean Plum
Patrina Powell
Brandon Ruffin
Lindsay Sarette
Elizabeth Schmaltz
Lindsey Shaw
Garrett Tant
Leah Thomas
Alexandra Tucker
Tyler Tudor
Paige Turner
Nataleigh Twisdale
Danielle Webb
Janine Williams

The following HCC full-time faculty and staff members were recognized for reaching a milestone anniversary.

Robin St. Sing, Kent Dickerson, June-Ellen Grant, and Melinda Cox are this year's HCC retirees.

Donna Sellers has worked at HCC for **25 years**.

Tyrone Parker, Pat Hux, Dawn Veliky, James McCachren, and Linda Smith have worked at HCC for **20 years**.

Joanne Jolly-Ellis has worked at HCC for **15 years**.

Emmanuel Obi, Lisa Santiago, James Lynch, Allisha Hicks, and Caroline Harris have worked at HCC for **10 years**.

Gary R. Redding, Malcolm Renn, Nichole Pitchford, Brandon Davis, Kelly Eller, Ashley Covington-Carter, Sabrina Freeman, Wilbert Nicholson, and Maria Navarro have worked at HCC for **five years**.

The following are the HCC Distinguished Service Award recipients.

Gary R. Redding received the **Excellence in Teaching Full-time Award**. The Excellence in Teaching Full-time Award is presented to the HCC faculty member who exemplifies the highest quality and standards of instruction.

Angela Williams received the **Excellence in Academic Advising Award**. The Excellence in Academic Advising Award is presented to the HCC faculty member and advisor who exemplifies the highest quality and standards of advising students.

Dr. Elizabeth Bartels received the **Excellence in Teaching Part-time Award**. The Excellence in Teaching Part-time Award is presented to the HCC faculty member who exemplifies the highest quality and standards of instruction.

Arlene Moore received the **Staff Award**. The **Staff Award** is presented to the HCC staff member who demonstrates consistent and excellent performance on the job.

Kelly Eller received the **Innovator Award**. The **Innovator Award** is presented to the HCC employee who has implemented a fresh or new idea that addresses HCC's mission.

Derrick Flood received the **Spirit Award**. The **Spirit Award** is presented to the HCC employee who exemplifies cooperation and enthusiasm and serves as a positive reflection of HCC's mission.

Sonya Robinson received the **Presidential Leadership Award**. The Presidential Leadership Award is presented to an HCC employee who has demonstrated outstanding leadership in support of HCC's mission.

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Halifax Community College strives to meet the diverse needs of our community by providing high-quality, accessible and affordable education and services for a rapidly changing and globally competitive marketplace.

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