



All City High Newsletter

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"All City: Where students finish what they've started."

FEATURE ON EDISON HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Parent Voice

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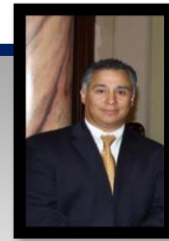


This journey with my son has been difficult to find him a school that can meet his individual needs. When I heard about All City High as an alternative I reached out to see if my son could be enrolled in the program. We sat down with Mr. Ramirez who felt that Charles was not a good fit, but agreed to give him a chance. Since my son has been at All City, he has excelled.

I would like to thank the teachers for being in his life and pushing him to succeed. I would like to especially thank Mr. Wilson for coming to my home to work on a plan for my son, and Ms. Cohen-Johnson who assists him with exams.

I want to urge parents to work with teachers, and not against them – they are supportive and willing to help.

Thank you All City!
 Ms. King (mother of Charles Gamble)



Over the last three and a half years our program has helped almost 800 students finish what they have started at their home schools and graduate. We are proud of our staff and students. All of this success has come in part to the hard working and dedicated teachers, support staff, and most importantly PARENTS.

I am calling on you now for more support! Please remind your child that there are about 40 days remaining prior to Regents exams. Our building opens at 7:30 for Online Credit Recovery and is now open every Saturday through June 11th. Every student attending All City should use the supports available and many will not graduate unless they begin to actively participate in our extended day opportunities.

The number one reason for students succeeding at All City is due to ATTENDANCE! Please make sure you speak to counselors, administrators, and your child's teachers in order to confirm your child is attending school and classes on a regular basis.

We need your support! Do not wait until it is too late!

–Armando Ramirez, Principal



Northeast Luncheon

Ms. Burrows and Mr. Reynolds provided lunch to Northeast students while conferencing with them to ensure they are on track. Students were thankful for the visit!

PENNIES, NICKLES, AND DIMES!

A class of Wilson Foundation 1st graders reached out to All City for assistance in raising money to donate to a worthy cause---fighting childhood Leukemia! Letrell Golden and Keelya Mack presented the first grade class our contribution (pictured above). We are happy to report that the first graders won their challenge and collectively raised \$381.13. They won a gold banner and an Olive Garden luncheon. Way to make a difference!





Students at All City are engaged in...



Mr. Nenni's Stock Market Project: Do you have your credit swagger on?

The stock market projects are in and we're working on a winner as we speak. This week we are beginning consumer credit, "Let's talk FICO scores". Next week I'll be showing students the "in's and out's" of a Sallie Mae college loan application form.

What is All City?

All City High is a non-traditional program school offering students in grades 10-12 between the ages of 17-21 years old an opportunity to learn in a supportive High School environment, earn credits, and in some cases accelerate graduation. Students are able to learn in a supportive educational environment with teachers and staff who are empathetic to students' needs.

Interdisciplinary Learning US History & English

In Mrs. Saporito-Springer's US History class students completed Biography Lines with key reformers from pre-Civil War US including Rochester greats S. B. Anthony and F. Douglass.

In Ms. Madsen's English class students read the *Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass*, and excerpts from *Incidents of the Life of a Slave Girl* by Harriet Jacobs. Students identified conflicts throughout both and created essays using evidence from the texts. We completed our unit with the movie based on an incredible true story, *12 Years a Slave*. We had fruitful discussions throughout this unit and students were highly engaged in learning!

Two students took the challenge and were able to locate where Frederick Douglass is buried...right here in Rochester, in Mt. Hope Cemetery!

Congratulations Summer Mateo & Jakeema Kennedy!



Math Teachers Love Pi Day

On Pi Day, (Einstein's Birthday - 3/14), Ms. Samis and Ms. Backus merged their classes and created learning stations with a theme approach. Students were actively engaged in the day's activities. Note: The teachers enjoyed working collaboratively and were rewarded with engaged students that completed their work.

Our next adventure will involve convincing students to attend Imagine RIT on May 7th. An extra credit activity that awakens their minds and opens their eyes to some of the positive experiences college can provide.



Amari and Vonseer reading the *Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass*

BLOOD DRIVE with Ms. Dimatteo



The final All City Blood Drive will be held on May 12th 9am-2PM. Let's make All City proud. Our goal is 20 pints. Students who need Community Service hours are welcome. Sign up with Markwan Granville if you want to donate.

Each newsletter a different school will be featured to showcase student contributions.
 Stay tuned to see which school will be selected next.

Edison High School

Student Highlights

Brianna Crowder

Brianna Crowder has put forth an incredible effort in Online Credit recovery (OCR) at All City High School to earn back credits in Physical Education and Living Environment. Brianna is determined to graduate and has been working tirelessly in the lab. After struggling in a traditional classroom setting for these courses, Brianna has found that with perseverance and hard work her goal of graduating is within reach. She is currently working on OCR Geometry. Congratulations Brianna! Keep Running!

-Mr. Priel



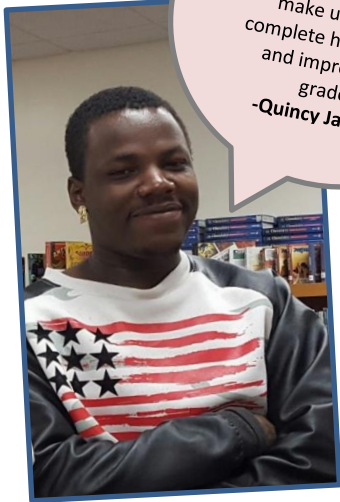
All City has a quiet environment that makes it easier for me to focus and pass my classes. Teachers are really helpful. I'm a soon-to-be mother and like the semester schedule and flexible times. After graduation in June I plan to enroll in REOC to earn my LPN.

-Anastasia Marks



I like that All City has Saturday school because I was able to make up work, complete homework, and improve my grade.

-Quincy Jackson

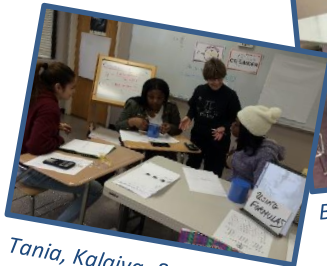


I like All City because students are focused on graduating and teachers put effort into helping us graduate on time. I plan to graduate in August and then attend college to be a veterinarian. -

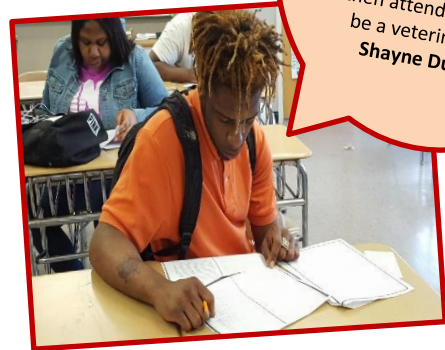
Shayne Dunham



Barbara Adrien dressed up for spirit week



Tania, Kalaiya, & Ms. Backus



All City has done so much for me and thanks to all the staff who helped me throughout my journey—it wasn't easy for me, but I made it! I'm looking forward to starting college in the spring, so I can take the steps to become a pediatrician.

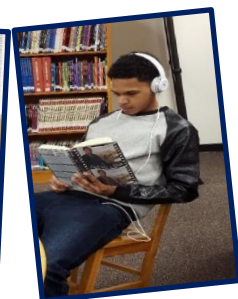
-Taneja Prescott



Bola



Anthony



Fermin



Luis

Books for lunch



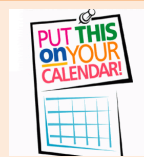


Congratulations to staff who were nominated for All City's "Big Deal" Award...

- Ms. Nelson-** always being positive & starting our days with a cheerful "Good morning!"
- Ms. Madsen-** being a "wavy" and cool teacher and a constant stream of creativity and fun
- Ms. Lange-Geyer** –being a hidden gem. She is very student focused and is one of our unsung heroes
- Ms. Morelle-** taking over the blood drive in order to help a fellow colleague
- Ms. Ferris-** taking over the blood drive in order to help a fellow colleague
- Mr. Foust-** feeding us well and taking such good care of his students and fellow colleagues
- Ms. Leysath-** being a great counselor and a very supportive co-worker
- Ms. Nicholas-** being a great counselor. She is always there for her students and is a supportive co-worker
- Ms. Manon-** being positive and supportive and showing love to the ACH community
- Ms. Raleigh-** being helpful and patient and working to make our school a better place
- Ms. Maxey-** being helpful and patient and working to make our school a better place
- Mr. Weber-** being helpful to students and staff
- Mr. Rinere-** being a good teacher. He is the reason that I enjoy Chemistry
- Ms. Backus-** for helping students and bringing a smile to their faces
- Ms. Wilkerson-** being a very good teacher and being dedicated to the students that she serves
- Ms. Hawkins-** having a great smile and showing genuine love for the All City community

It's Prom time!

This is an exciting time for students! Please join us on Friday, May 6th from 6pm – 10 pm at the Historic German House - 315 Gregory Street. This event is free for the staff and we hope staff attends or come by to see the students. A Big Thanks to the staff members who have reached out to the advisors about sponsoring students for the prom. If you would like to support students' needs for the prom, please email Ms. Ramirez or Ms. Leysath.



Saturday School

Saturday Regents Review 9 am until 12 noon. Additional support will be available to help students prepare for Regents Exams and to finish their on-line classes. Students can see Ms. Hart to sign out a bus pass if needed. There are very few days left until the marking period is over and the end of the school year is approaching very quickly. If you have any questions, please contact your child's counselor.

Congratulations to students who were nominated for "Student of the Month"

- Ashley Dowell
- Jonathan Tillman
- Jontasia Goins
- Keeyla Mack
- Paige Huewan
- Shatiera Wilson
- Yasheema Dorsey
- Alexis Chmura
- Keaira Brown
- Chanique Williams
- Legna Perez
- Jaimee Prass
- Shayonna Weaver
- Kaireem (Hazel) Davis

Dress-up Day
Mrs. Cohen-Johnson spreading the spirit



We welcome your feedback

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