



# All City High Newsletter

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

FEATURE ON SCHOOL OF THE ARTS, VANGUARD, AND INTEGRATED ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY STUDENTS

## Congratulations to our 3<sup>rd</sup> Marking Period Honor Roll Scholars!



### Scholar Jaimee Prass by Mrs. Mrs. Scheirer



Jaimee Prass was born in the United States, but had to leave with her mother at 18 months old. She moved to Guyana in South America and stayed there until she was old enough to return to the United States on her own. When she returned she attended Wilson Commencement High School. Just before graduating, she had to return to Guyana due to a sudden family emergency. Unfortunately, due to low family funds, she was not financially able to return to the United States after the family issue was resolved. She had to stay in Guyana for some time until she could save up enough money to return to Rochester. After finding out about the program at All City High, she connected with Mr. Ramirez to find out when she could enroll and complete her necessary requirements for graduation. Jaimee returned to Rochester determined to finish her graduation requirements and graduate! She is currently doing very well in school and will be graduating this June! She plans to attend Monroe Community College and then pursue her Bachelor's Degree in Economics.

Jaimee received a Monroe Community College Bookstore Scholarship for \$500 from the Monroe Community College Foundation. What a scholar!



As we approach the end of the year, I want you to reflect on the past, the failure and successes, and know that all these experiences have made you who you are! You are somebody! In the end, it is not about the destination but about your journey! Good or bad, embrace every problem as an opportunity to grow or help another individual. Know that, to the All City family, you are valued and we have always believed in who you are, and most importantly, who you will become!! Finish Strong and know you are loved!!

—Armando Ramirez, Principal

### NOW THAT'S TEACHER APPRECIATION!



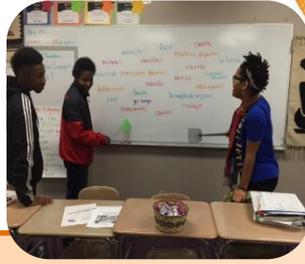
For Teacher Appreciation Week, The Administrative Team surprised All City Teachers and staff with a treat...a visit from the "Stingray Sushi Fusion Truck" to serve lunch! Staff were thankful for the unique treat, and appreciated trying something new!



# Students at All City are engaged in...

## Community Support: Ms. Hill, Center for Youth

Transitional Navigator, Tausha Hill is a Center for Youth worker who is on the All City campus on Wednesdays and Fridays. Her primary focus is assisting the former Charlotte students who are now attending All City. Ms. Hill offers support with attendance, home visits, providing students with information about CFY, job searching, college applications, and helping students with personal concerns. Recently, she has been collaborating with Mrs. Scheirer on an initiative to ensure students have a completed resume. Ms. Hill works one on one with students to complete a resume. She is also preparing students for their Senior Exit Interviews.



## “Flyswatter” in Señora Boupavong’s Spanish 1 Class

Students in Spanish 1 class participate in a vocabulary and conjugation review game called “Flyswatter”. They compete against each other by trying to be first to choose the correct word in Spanish. Students compete against each other for prizes and bragging rights, of course.

*Pictured above: Corey Johnson, Anthony Rucker, and Paige Huewan*

## 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.



## Students Register to Vote

Ms. Manon and Ms. Boupavong assisted students with registering to vote. A total of 50 students signed up!

## All City Staff Go Above and Beyond!

Ms. Ramirez attended The Youth of Shakespeare from the Streets which presented The Life of Henry V. She went to support student, Coree Thomas who participated in the event. Way to go above and beyond!



## Mr. Nenni’s Stock Market Project: WINNER is...



Keyla Mack came from behind to take first place from Nanelys Montero, and the grand prize of two tickets to Tinseltown. Keyla made over \$1700 in the stock market to claim the highest Percent Capital Gain of anybody at 17.9%.

I learned you can invest your money into something rather than spending it. I didn't know what the stock market was until Mr. Nenni taught us about it. -Keyla Mack

## BLOOD DRIVE with Ms. Dimatteo

The final All City Blood Drive was held on May 12<sup>th</sup>. We held four blood drives and met our goal, so the American Red Cross is providing a scholarship for one of our graduating seniors. Stay tuned to see who that will be.



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

## School of the Arts, Vanguard, and Integrated Arts and Technology

### Kiara Mobley, SOTA

I graduated at 17 years old this past January. Being a student at All City has made me enjoy school. I met new friends, teachers, and made honor roll. I have not made honor roll since 9<sup>th</sup> grade, so this was an accomplishment for me. I am currently working at BJ's and plan to join the Navy.

One of the teachers I miss from SOTA is Mr. DellaGloria who was my math teacher. He gave me advice for everything and helped me understand math.



### Gia Batzing, SOTA

I came to All City to get my life back on track and earn the credits I need to graduate. I will be graduating in August and then I plan to move to NYC with my Aunt to attend the Fashion Institute of Technology (FIT). My counselor, Ms. Scheirer guides me through things and offers advice and a push when I need it. Ms. Madsen has helped keep me focused by starting my day off in a positive mood, and she brings breakfast once in a while which starts my day off right.



### Xavier Bracey, SOTA

Since I have been at All City I have learned that in order for you to succeed you have to want to succeed and have the motivation. I learned that it is ok to ask for help and ask questions even though you may think they seem stupid or unnecessary. I plan to graduate in June and start Genesee Community College in September for communication in media arts.

I learned that volunteering is not that boring. I was able to meet new people while volunteering at Foodlink. I had a conversation with an older gentlemen who I would have never met had I not done my community service.

*Dreams are most profound when they seem the most crazy. Sigmund Freud*



### Dominique Reagan, IA&T

Since I have been at All City I have earned good grades, and will be graduating in June. My plans after graduation is to take some programs and then attend college to become a nurse.



### Desaray Dukes, IA&T

I came to All City to earn credits to graduate. I like that the teachers are nice. I do miss Mr. Morgan's from IA&T because he taught me how to draw. I also miss Ms. Bailey who taught me how to play piano. I plan to continue to focus on earning my credits to graduate and then attend college to be a dental hygienist.



### Zulekha, Vanguard

Since I have been at All City, the teachers have stood out. They care and help when needed. I like the Business Math course with Mr. Evans because I am learning how to manage money, how to earn profits, and that if I open a business, do it alone instead of having a partner. I graduate in June and plan to work and attend MCC for criminal justice. My goal is to be a police officer and then FBI agent.



### D'Angelo Cruz, Vanguard

I started All City February 1<sup>st</sup>, and I came to earn credits to graduate. All City is different because they have a semester schedule that helps me earn more credits. My favorite subject is Global Studies with Ms. Dimatteo and Mr. Keefer because they make the subject interesting. After I graduate I plan to possibly work on cars.



### Montairah Letts-Jeffers, Vanguard

What I like most about All City is that the teachers are connected with students, and care how you are personally doing as well as being focused on our learning. Mr. Nenni is a teacher who does this, and I appreciate having him as a teacher! I do miss Ms. Lawrence from Vanguard because she was a chill teacher. After graduation I plan to work fulltime and then apply for college for a business degree.



### Nicole Mack, IA&T

All City has helped me a lot with my grades and attendance. Teachers support me a lot. I do miss Mr. Cicero from Franklin because he used to be my favorite teacher. Even though he taught Social Studies, he would assist me with other classes too. I plan to graduate in June and attend Alabama University to become a pediatrician.





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

- Mr. Burden- always doing his best and helping those in need
- Mr. Foust- being a team player and assisting a colleague in need
- Mr. Ramirez- motivating all students to graduate
- Mr. Vargas- being the coolest and funniest guy you could ever meet
- Mr. Veras- keeping students on track with their grades
- Mr. Weber- always being willing to help out
- Ms. Backus- She's someone's favorite teacher
- Ms. Cohen-Johnson -keeping students on track and never giving up on students
- Ms. Fell-Rickard- making learning fun and interesting; helping out her colleagues and helping students succeed
- Ms. Ferris- stepping in to present a workshop for students when the original presenter didn't show
- Ms. Hassall- being the sweetest person in the building who truly cares for everyone
- Ms. Madsen- creating awesome newsletters, being supportive to our students and staff
- Ms. Ramirez- being calm, respectful, and understanding and wanting to see her students move forward

**Staff Accomplishments**

- Ms. Cohen-Johnson earned her doctorate from the University of Rochester
- Mrs. Amy Soto earned a Master of Science in Physical Education - Teacher Education Pedagogy
- Mrs. Audrey Siebert earned a Masters in Community and School Health from Canisius College

**Horizon Fun**



Students attending a trip to celebrate their academic success at Horizon Fun FX. Students had to maintain a minimum of 75% daily attendance, pass all classes, and be free from disciplinary referrals.

Tyreek Tisdale said, "Playing laser tag, and the never ending pizza and pop was the best part."



**Center for Youth: Workshop Series**

Beginning April 26<sup>th</sup>, The Center for Youth began a 10 session workshop series for students at All City. The aim of the workshops were to address issues impacting our young people. Some of the topics include: Healthy & Unhealthy Relationships, Dating Violence, Coping with Stress, Teen Gambling, LGBTQ, Grief & Loss, Youth Rights and the Law, and Communication in the Workplace. Students signed up in advance to attend each workshop that the felt was relevant to them. The workshops provided a forum for students to voice their thoughts and opinions in a safe and nonjudgmental environment. It also provided students with an opportunity to meet new friends and learn more about themselves.

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



- Anaijha Phipps
- Bola Abdiaziz
- Calissa Williams
- Charles Gamble
- Denzel Brown
- Edgar Garcia
- Jahlandrea Jones
- Jaimee Prass
- Javonne Jones
- Jerome Copeland
- Jose Rodriguez
- Karl Jones
- Keeyla Mack
- Paige Huewan
- Shaiquana Adams
- Shamira Jackson
- Shatiera Wilson
- Stormy Dunbar
- Tiegyana Kinney
- Tyreek Tisdale
- Vonseer Allen



**We welcome your feedback**

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