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## SPECIAL AWARDS EDITION

### ALL NOMINEES TO BE HONORED!

The CPEA Building Representatives had a difficult decision to make at their April 13<sup>th</sup> meeting.

They had to select the CPEA Educator of the Year from the following list of extremely qualified, dedicated and highly respected nominees:

#### **Sherry Bogdan**

Intervention Specialist at Early College MS

#### **Angela Borland**

Language Arts at Clarendon Intermediate

#### **Tina Bradley**

5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher at Youtz Intermediate

#### **Linda Deuble**

Art Teacher at Worley Elementary

#### **Dr. Bernetta Harrell-Snell**

Education Specialist at STEAMM Academy

#### **Paula Kliem**

Kindergarten Teacher at AIM Academy

#### **Katie Welch**

Physical Education at Youtz Intermediate

**CONGRATULATIONS!**

## The 2025-2026 CPEA "EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR" is . . .

### **Sherry Bogdan**

*"Most students don't know that she is strictly an intervention specialist. They just know her as "Mrs. B and that she is there to help everyone."*

*"In addition to being an amazing teacher, Sherry is also an amazing advisor and coach. I have had the privilege of co-advising ECMS student council with her for five years now." Nichole Kosenski*

Sherry is part of the 8<sup>th</sup> grade teaching staff as an intervention specialist at Early College Middle School. Sherry has worked for Canton City Schools for 11 years. She has a total of 30 years of experience. Her current extra-curricular school activities include: Special Education Lead Teacher; CCSD Equestrian Coach; ECMS Student Council Co-Advisor; Student Spirit Club Advisor. Sherry has earned the following honors and awards: Early College September Staff Member of the Month; National Board Certification; Fox 8 Cleveland News Difference Maker; Stark County Person of Character; Martha Jennings Scholar; R.A. Horn Award for Special Education.

*"Sherry Bogdan is simply the colleague everyone wishes they had on their team. I first met Sherry three years ago when I began teaching at ECMS. She was an intervention specialist and at the time, I wasn't sure how our journeys would entwine. But today, I can without hesitation say she is one of my best friends and I wish I could have 30+ years teaching by her side." Juliann Doerschuk*

*"Sherry donates her time and energy eagerly and generously to support students and teachers. She works hard to provide unique experiences and opportunities with the Equestrian Club. The students look forward to riding each week..." Maria Emmons*

*"Sherry is an amazing teacher and coach! She has coached my son on her equestrian team. He competed in first ever competition last weekend. He had his first time being on a horse in September and already competing." Ashley McGhee*

*"Sherry is the type of teacher I wish for my own children to have. She loves her students and is invested in their growth. She meets them where they are yet challenges them to grow. She sees potential in all her students..." Sommer Mayberry*

*"...I have had the privilege of working alongside Sherry. She has consistently been a strong advocate for both special education staff and all students with disabilities..." Sarah Betz*

*"She is a spark that has shined for many years in our school system giving so much of herself and her time." Jo Roten*

**Congratulations to Sherry! She will be presented with her award at the annual CPEA Spring Banquet at LaPizzaria on Monday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2026.**

## 2025-2026 CPEA AWARD WINNERS

### “Community Partnership” Award

Love the Children Ministries



### Nathaniel Roberts Scholarship Recipients

Adalyn Hoskins, Early College High School

Zariyah Williams, Early College High School

### Yvonne Parks Scholarship Recipient

Dajeun Dickerson Jr., McKinley Senior High School

Zariyah Williams, Early College High School

## **2026 CPEA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS!!!**

Alexandra Ault, Briana Casto, Ella Corsi, Gavin France, Audrey Gordon, Eva Janigian,  
Madison Lepley, Olivia Newman, Taylor Repp, Jeremy Thomas

## STARK EDUCATION CELEBRATION NOMINEES

The Canton City Schools’ nominees for this year’s Stark Education Celebration are:

*Dan Rooney / STEAMM Academy - Teacher of the Year,*

*and Ronald Boyd III / Choices - Rookie of the Year*

***Congratulations!***

Anyone wishing to help honor these award winners at the annual CPEA Spring Banquet at LaPizzaria on Monday, May 5, 2026 may make a reservation by calling the CPEA Office or returning the form below.

### *CPEA Spring Banquet Reservation Form*

**Monday, May 5, 2026 – LaPizzaria**

**Social/Cash Bar 5:30 - Program begins at 6:00 p.m.**

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Bldg. \_\_\_\_\_

Number attending \_\_\_\_\_ Amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (\$30/person)

Make checks payable to CPEA

*Dinner is served Family Style and includes: Salad, Parmesan Crusted Chicken, Lightly Seasoned Scrod, Sausage & Peppers, Fresh Beans, Roasted Potatoes, Penne Pasta in Marinara, Dessert & Beverage.*

**Please return this form and payment to the CPEA Office by Friday, April 24, 2026.**