

2025
Career and Technical Education
(CTE)
Teacher of the Year
Awards



Thursday, February 27, 2025

DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel
Sunrise-Sawgrass Mills



Career, Technical, Adult,
& Community Education
Office of Academics

PROGRAM INFORMATION

Welcome

Anita Natale, CTACE Curriculum Supervisor, BCPS

Master of Ceremony

Eric M. Chisem, Sr., Director, Strategic Partnerships, BCPS

Presentation of Colors

Everglades High School Gator Battalion

Commanded by C/MAJ Le

Under the Supervision of

Senior Army Instructor Nicholas Porter

Army Instructor Rudolph Neal

CTACE Director Message

Loli Formoso, CTACE Director, BCPS

Greetings

Debra Hixon

Chair, School Board of Broward County

Saemone Hollingsworth

Chief Academic Officer, BCPS

James Knapp

President & C.E.O., Broward Education Foundation

Congratulations Teachers

LaGaylia Gray, CTACE Curriculum Supervisor, BCPS

PROGRAM INFORMATION

Dinner Presentation

Award Presentation

Recognition of the Finalists

Presentation of the 2025 CTE Rookie Teacher of the Year

Presentation of the 2025 District CTE Teacher of the Year Runner-Up

Presentation of the 2025 District CTE Teacher of the Year

Sponsor Appreciation

Closing Remarks

Dr. Jeff Holness

School Board of Broward County



Congratulations from the Career, Technical, Adult, and Community Education Department!

*Loli Formoso,
CTACE Director*



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MASTER OF CEREMONY

Eric M. Chisem, Sr.

Eric M. Chisem, Sr. is a native Floridian, hailing from Fort Lauderdale, Florida, where he was both born and raised. A devoted family man, he is a proud father to one biological son, Eric Jr., and is also honored to be the godfather to two young men. A distinguished alumnus of Dillard High School, Eric furthered his education earning an A.S. in Accounting and a B.S. in Business Administration from Florida Metropolitan University.

For three decades, Eric has dedicated himself to a meaningful career at Broward County Public Schools (BCPS). Currently holding the position of Director, Strategic Partnerships.

In recognition of his steadfast dedication to public education, Eric received the prestigious Broward Teachers Union (BTU) 10th Education Achievement Award in 2022, earning a well-deserved induction into their Hall of Fame. More recently, he was honored with the distinguished Honorary Colonel Award at the Superintendent's Regimental Ball.

Beyond his professional achievements, Eric is a dynamic public speaker and certified Life Coach, inspiring audiences with his expertise and insights. He is also a prominent digital creator, known as #LearnedMan across major social media platforms, where his engaging content as a vlogger and blogger continues to resonate with a wide audience. Most recently, he achieved a significant milestone, reaching 77,000 followers on a highly popular and influential social media platform.

Eric's community involvement extends to serving the 5000 Role Model of Excellence Project, Mentoring Tomorrow's Leaders (MTL), Mentoring, serving as a Life Coach and is a devoted member of Mount Bethel Baptist Church. Guided by profound messages such as - "No Weapon formed against you shall prosper" (Isaiah 54:17) and timeless wisdom of Maya Angelou - "I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel". Eric M. Chisem, Sr. continues to make a positive impact on both his professional and personal spheres.



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Congratulates the Winners



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2025 School-Based CTE Teacher of the Year Recipients

*Rookies
(1-3 Years)*

Coral Springs MS: Seema Naik

Flanagan HS: Jill Lemesevski

Henry Perry Ed. Center: Raven Crawford

Northeast HS: Kevin Hanson

Nova MS: Racquel Herring

Pompano Beach MS: Thomas Devito

Sandra Marie Curtis HS: Rose Michel



2025 School-Based CTE Teacher of the Year Recipients

Middle School

City of Pembroke Pines Charter (Central): Amber Touhy

City of Pembroke Pines Charter (West): Gina Asada

Crystal Lake: Traci Cohen

Glades: Janira Gallego

James Rickards: Sasha Azouth

Lyons Creek: Carlos G. Garcia

McNicol: Valerie Crawford-Meyer

Silver Lakes: Shekelia Harris

Silver Trail: Audrey Green

Sunrise: Daniel Goldman

Walter C. Young: Keith Bona

2025 School-Based CTE Teacher of the Year Recipients

High School

Atlantic Technical: Mark Armbrust

Lauderhill 6-12: Sabrina Tobias

Blanche Ely: Daniel Levi

Marjory Stoneman Douglas: Lisa Webster

Boyd Anderson: Dwayne St. Garth Lewis

McArthur: Timisha Green

Coconut Creek: Clifford Wiggins

McFatter Technical: Danielle McColgin

Cooper City: Regina Ferreira

Millennium 6-12: Aaron Galit

Coral Glades: Caitlin Pein-Gates

Miramar: Jacqueline Peeters

Coral Springs: John Place

Nova: Dana Paz

Cypress Bay: Denise Jacks

Piper: Tameika Delsoin

Dave Thomas Ed. Center: Afrah Hamin

Plantation: Yaw Kumi-Diaka

Deerfield Beach : Rory Mapp

Pompano Beach: Dawn Donnelly

Dillard 6-12: Enewetok Myers-Ramsey

Sheridan Technical: Erin Yates

Everglades: Renee Myton

South Broward: Gabriel Acher

Hallandale: Michelle McNab-Hemans

South Plantation: Regina Del Pino

Hollywood Hills: Kimberly Saunders

Stranahan: Simone Barnes

JP Taravella: Teri Feierstadt

West Broward: Tara Terribile

Lanier James Ed. Center: Kimberly Anderson

Western: Hailey Wilkaitis

Whiddon Rogers Ed. Center: Phelicia Thomas-Bass

2025 School-Based CTE Teacher of the Year

District Finalists



Regina Ferreira
Cooper City High School

Years in Education: 18

Current Courses of Instruction:
Business Management & Analysis Pathway,
Virtual Enterprise International, DECA Advisor

Fun Fact: One of my favorite jobs was playing
everyone's favorite mouse in Orlando.

Seema Naik
Coral Springs Middle School

Rookie

Years in Education: 23

Current Courses of Instruction:
Microsoft PowerPoint

Informational Technology:
Device Configuration and Management

Fun Fact: I am a trained Professional Singer in
Indian classical music and sang on an All India
Radio at the age of 9.



2025 School-Based CTE Teacher of the Year

District Finalists

Janira Gallego-Arias **Glades Middle School**

Years in Education: 19

Current Courses of Instruction:
5 different courses in the IT/Computer Science
Program Progression

Fun Fact: I traveled to Ecuador and had the unique
experience of standing with one foot in the Northern
Hemisphere and one foot in the Southern
Hemisphere.



Sabrina Tobias **Lauderhill 6-12**

Years in Education: 25

Current Courses of Instruction:
Multi-Media Design and
Device Configuration Management

Fun Fact: My husband says I've only helped mow
the lawn once, which just happened to be when I
was nine months pregnant!

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Jacqueline Peeters
Miramar High School

Years in Education: 28

Current Courses of Instruction:
DECA Marketing Students Association,
Adjunct Professor at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
dual enrollment course

Fun Fact: In high school, I played the Clarinet
and was in the Marching Band.

Rose Michel
Sandra Marie Curtis High School
Rookie

Years in Education: 3

Current Courses of Instruction:
CTE Nursing (Nursing Assistant)

Fun Facts: I enjoy poetry and enjoy tutoring both in
English and Haitian-Creole.



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The Broward Technical Colleges are thrilled to extend our heartfelt congratulations to the 2025 CTE Teacher of the Year nominees! This recognition is a testament to your dedication, innovation, and the lasting impact you have on your students and your school communities.

CONGRATULATIONS!



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We're proud to support the CTACE Career Technical Education CTE Teacher Awards.



We are thrilled to extend our heartfelt congratulations to the outstanding educators nominated for the CTE Teacher of the Year Award. Your dedication to empowering students through practical skills and hands-on learning experiences is truly commendable.

As CTE educators, you play a pivotal role in shaping the future workforce. Your efforts in preparing students for real-world challenges and opportunities ensure that they are well-equipped to become the leaders and innovators of tomorrow. Your contributions to education and your communities are invaluable.

Once again, congratulations to all the nominees! Your achievements inspire us all, and we are excited to celebrate this well-deserved recognition with you. Keep up the fantastic work in shaping the future, one student at a time.





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