

Pioneer Career and Technology Center announces LaVanna Sanders and Chloe Clayborne as February Students of the Month



LaVanna is a junior in the Dental Assisting program at Pioneer. She is from Crestline High School and is the daughter of Adria Sanders.

LaVanna is involved in numerous extracurricular activities at Crestline & Pioneer, including the Leo-Lions club, Student Council, and is a Student Ambassador.

She also excels in sports, playing for the Varsity Volleyball, Softball, and Cheer teams.

In her community, LaVanna volunteers for the Blood Drive, The Tiny Tim Shop, and Secret Santa, in addition to participating in community clean-up efforts. She is thankful for her mother's support in all she does and Mrs. Myers for being an amazing role model to her. After high school, LaVanna plans to attend Ohio State University to study dental hygiene.

Chloe, a junior from Lexington High School, excels in the Horticulture program. She is the daughter of Jake and Stephanie Clayborne.

Chloe is an active member of both the FFA and the National Technical Honor Society (NTHS), showcasing her commitment to both academic excellence and extracurricular involvement.

A dedicated individual, she makes it a priority to visit the gym every weekend, highlighting her focus on personal wellness.

Reflecting on her time at Pioneer, Chloe describes her experience as phenomenal. She has found a supportive community among her peers and the school staff. She is thriving in her classes and lab work.



Chloe plans to go to college at North Central State College to become an interior designer.

Pioneer Students Triumph at Ohio BPA State Leadership Conference

Ten Business Professionals of America (BPA) Students from Pioneer attended the 2024 Ohio BPA State Leadership Conference (BPA SLC) in Columbus, on March 7th and 8th, 2024. Seven of them placed in the top ten in Ohio.

These talented individuals placed in the top five at the Ohio BPA SLC and are advancing to the 2024 Business Professionals of America National Leadership Conference (BPA NLC):

Gabe Melvin, a Senior in IT Support, attained fifth place in Computer Network Technology. Gabriel is homeschooled.

Jason Lambert, a Senior in Cybersecurity, impressed with a fourth-place finish in Server Administration using Microsoft. Jason hails from Goal Digital Academy.

Bradon Stidam, a Senior in Cybersecurity, demonstrated excellence, securing second place in Server Administration using Microsoft. Bradon proudly represents Shelby City Schools.

Brice Browning, a Senior in Cybersecurity, topped the charts, finishing first in Ohio in Computer Security. This is the second time Brice has won this contest at the state level. Brice is the defending national champion in this contest as well. Brice Browning is a standout from Celeryville Christian School.

Pioneer BPA advisors are Mr. Fritz Fagan IT Support Instructor and Mr. Dan Foss Cybersecurity Instructor.

Lush wins poetry competition

Congratulations to Alyssa Lush, a Lucas senior in the performing arts program, for winning a \$250 prize with her poem for the "Expressions of the Heart" Art and Poetry Juried Contest at OSU. The theme for the contest was "take a stand against teen dating violence." Alyssa's poem was featured in a gallery at Bromfield Library at The Ohio State University at Mansfield