

# Patterson High "A Community School"

*Next meeting: April 17, 2007 @ 11:00 am*

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## Coordinator's Corner



Pictured above are several members of Patterson's Community School Coordinating Council. (L to R: Ms. Sharon Leeds - M.O.E.D. Futures; Dr. Joya Crear - BCCC; Mr. Bob Kirk - University of MD School of Social Work; Ms. Jeannette Walker - Native American Programs and Mrs. Dianna Ford - Guidance Department Head)

The Coordinating Council plays an essential role in the development of a Community School and sustaining it. The council provides leadership and direction for services and service providers in the school. Equipped with a Needs Assessment, Resource Inventory and an Action Plan, partners are charged with working cohesively to meet goals and objectives.

Although Patterson's management team had established strong partnerships over the past several years, partners rarely met to share resources and ideas. Now, stakeholders meet monthly at the school to plan how new and existing services can be delivered efficiently.

Members take time out of their busy schedules and commit to building a "stronger Patterson High School". **Council members, we appreciate your efforts and thank you!!**



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## "Bragging on BOOST"



The YMCA BOOST After School Program entertained Patterson students with dancing and a Fashion Show on 3/23/07. The audience was chosen by teachers and principals based on their performance. The show was full of energy and creativity. Next stop: 4-H Youth Expo on May 11, 2007 - 2:30 - 5:00 @ the War Memorial Building

## "Partner of the Month" Baltimore City Community College

BCCC has been one of Patterson's most consistent partners. They provide Pre-GED classes and English as a Second Language classes on site four nights a week. BCCC staff work closely with school staff and community members to develop a plan and schedule that meets the needs of all parties. Most importantly, community members are offered the opportunity to reach their educational goals without having to travel very far. BCCC is looking to expand their services at Patterson by offering GED Diploma Online and Novell Diploma programs in the evening. We will keep you posted as this develops for Patterson and the community. **BCCC, we appreciate you!!!**

# Patterson Community High School

## Community Meetings

Joseph Lee Community Association Meeting  
7:00 pm 4/10/2007 (Our Lady of Fatima Church)

Oliver Community Association Meeting -7:00 pm-  
4/19/2007 (1400 E. Federal Street)

Eastern Police District Community Affairs Council Meeting - 7:00 pm 4/24/07 (1600 Edison Hwy)

## Student Accomplishments

- During the Month of March 402 and students attended "Saturday School" for HSA preparation.
- Congratulations to Jarmal Savage, Devin Carter, Tavrill Prout and Julio Cervantes for winning the Robotics Championship. They also placed 2<sup>nd</sup> out of 60 teams in the Robotics Competition as well as 2<sup>nd</sup> for Outstanding Leadership for Engineering in the Community.
- Congratulations to Shaneice Matthews for passing the State Boards for Nail Technology

## Important Numbers

- First Call for Help - 1-800-492-0618 or 410-685-0525
- Maryland Youth Crisis Hotline - 1-800-422-0009
- Crisis Hotline - 410-752-2272
- Dept. of Social Services Information - 443-423-6300
- Coalition to End Lead Poisoning - 1-800-370-5323
- Energy Assistance: 410-396-5555
- Free Legal Help: 410-547-6537
- Eviction Prevention: 410-878-8550
- AIDS Hotline: 410-845-AIDS
- Drug Hotline: 410-685-DRUG
- Southeast Community Action Center: 410-545-6512

## Important Upcoming Dates - Mark your calendars!

Patterson Community School Coordinating Council Meeting - 4/17/07 @ 11:00 am.

The After School Institute Regional Conference on After School - May 8-9, 2007- Sheraton Baltimore City Center

Baltimore Opportunity Investment Summit - The Summit aims to revolutionize the way we spend our public dollars - 5/12/07 - Baltimore Convention Center

## Community School Services offered at Patterson High School

- YMCA After School Program – Tuesday – Thursday, 3:30pm – 6:00pm
- FUTURES Program – Drop Out Prevention Services (daily)
- Johns Hopkins – Bay view - Mental Health and Substance Abuse Counseling (daily)
- Univ. of MD. School of Social Work Counseling Services (Tue. & Thu. 9:00am - 5:00pm)
- Child Care Program – Children ages 2 -5. 8:30 – 4:00, sliding scale fee, (Child care vouchers accepted).
- Pre – G.E.D. Classes. Tuesday and Thursday 6:00pm – 9:00pm Room 101
- Baltimore Housing Authority – Human Services Worker – providing assistance with housing, employment, utility bills, family crisis, income tax preparation (by appointment)
- Mayors Office of Employment Development career services (by appointment)
- Native American Student/Family Support (by appointment)
- Refugee Youth/Family Support (by appointment)

## A Fallen Star



On the evening of March 13, 2007 Patterson lost a well-liked and loved member of our family, Chris Clarke. Saddened by his untimely death, we at the Patterson Press, teachers, and students of the school would like to commemorate his life in letters and shout-outs to show how much he will truly be missed.

### **Message from our Principal**

Unfortunately, this is not the first letter that I have had the sad duty to write for a Patterson student who lost their life through a violent and senseless act.

Losing a family member is never easy. Christopher Clarke was a Business and Finance Academy student who transferred to our school and immediately integrated himself into the Patterson family. He was a very focused and talented student who had been accepted into the Baltimore City Police Cadet Program. This career choice reflected Christopher's unselfish attitude and desire to give back to the community.

Christopher's life should be celebrated and serve as a model to other students who have yet to select a path for life. He lived his short life focused on goals that he set for himself and would want others to do the same. The greatest tribute to Christopher would be to follow his lead. Christopher Clarke will remain a part of our family for all time. We offer our sincere condolences to his parents and relatives.

Laura D'Anna, Principal of Patterson