



# **EAST AURORA**

*SCHOOL DISTRICT 131*

**AAPA Monthly Meeting Minutes**  
**Virtual via Google Meets**  
**Thursday, March 4, 2021**  
**6:30 pm**

- I. Welcome
  - a. Dr. Glenda Rosado – Assistant Superintendent of Staff and Student Services
    - i. grosado@d131.org
- II. Group Norms - Iliana Núñez
  - a. Respect
  - b. open communication
  - c. open mindedness
  - d. responsibility
- III. Introductions
  - a. 29 attendees
  - b. Iliana Núñez- Parent and Family Service Coordinator
  - c. Cierra Rhodes – Parent Leader
  - d. Teasa Ezeh – Parent Leader
- IV. SEAVCV- Supporting East Aurora Victims of Community Violence
  - a. Presenter
    - i. Martha Infante- Program Manager
    - ii. Wayne Robinson- Case Manager
  - b. 3rd year of the program being with the district
  - c. help students that have experienced community violence and to help them work through this so they can continue to succeed in life and the classroom
  - d. referred to the program by staff
  - e. program currently has 4 case managers
  - f. partnered with
    - i. Family Counseling Service
    - ii. Hands of Hope
    - iii. Taking Control Counseling Services
    - iv. Mutual Ground
  - g. case managers make calls to parents to set up a meeting to conduct assessment to help make a plan
  - h. weekly calls follow up after the student has been matched with services
    - i. check on attendance and grades



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- V. Aurora Police Cadet Program
  - a. Officer William Whitfield
    - i. has been with APD for 2 years
  - b. cadet program is looking for students 17-18
    - i. must have 2.5 GPA
    - ii. valid drivers license
    - iii. official transcript
    - iv. application closes March 30th
  - c. cadets will have to complete a physical, psychological, polygraph and written test
  - d. benefits of program
    - i. good health insurance benefits
    - ii. part-time hours during school year (20hours)
    - iii. full-time hours during the summer
    - iv. city of Aurora will pay for Associates degree
    - v. eligible to apply as an Officer for APD at 20.5 years old
  - e. responsibilities
    - i. mail runs
    - ii. traffic control and management
    - iii. parking management
  - f. if interested in the program:
    - i. contact: Officer Whitflied
    - ii. phone number: (630) 940-3176
    - iii. email: [whitfiew@aurora.il.us](mailto:whitfiew@aurora.il.us)
- VI. Aurora Police Department Youth Academy
  - a. Explore Program
    - i. for ages 14-18
    - ii. 25 slots are available
    - iii. orientation
      - 1. June 3, 2021 @ 6:30pm
    - iv. program runs from June 21-August 3
      - 1. M,T,W
      - 2. 9:00am to 1:00 pm



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- b. benefits of program
    - i. hands on training in scenario based environment
      - 1. investigation
      - 2. traffic
    - ii. visits
      - 1. detention center
      - 2. state attorney office
        - a. look into legislative and policies
  - c. Deadline to apply is May 7, 2021
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- VII. Announcements: Events & Upcoming Workshop
- a. Jumpstart Prenatal Age to Three Program
    - i. Presenter: Cierra Rhodes
    - ii. program for newborn-2 years old
    - iii. please see powerpoint presentation for details
  - b. Scholarship Opportunities
    - i. Information from EAHS Counselor Latasha Thompson
    - ii. Presenter: Cierra Rhodes
    - iii. Aurora Actionnaires Scholarship
      - 1. Aurora Actionnaires Foundation was founded over 45 years ago by three African-American women
      - 2. The foundation's purpose is to award several scholarships to African-American students that demonstrate academic achievement, need, and community involvement
      - 3. To be eligible for this scholarship
        - a. must be a high school senior in Aurora
        - b. must be enrolled in college, university, or trade school by the 2021-2022 academic year
        - c. must have a minimum 2.0 gpa (4.0 scale)
        - d. official sealed transcript sent by the student or school by March 23, 2021
        - e. two letters of recommendation (former or present teacher, dean, principal, counselor, employer, or sponsor of a club or activity that student is actively involved in



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4. all other details for the application can be found on the districts website
  - iv. Virginia Tech Opportunity
    1. FREE virtual summer academic leadership program geared toward incoming sophomores and juniors (2021-2022)
    2. Black College Institute
      - a. rising Juniors
        - i. June 13-16
        - ii. June 20-23
      - b. rising seniors
        - i. June 27-30
    3. Application closes April 1, 2021
    4. program highlights
      - a. Virginia Tech application waiver
      - b. peer mentorship, networking and friendships
      - c. college admissions advising
      - d. overview of financing college
      - e. exposure to African-American student experience at Virginia Tech
      - f. live Q&A with 7 of the colleges
      - g. completion of group project focused on the African-American
  - v. For any additional questions or information about scholarship and academic opportunities
    1. email EAHS counselor: Latosha Thompson
- VIII. Resources
- a. Visit EASD 131 'Area Resources' tab
    - i. Childcare
    - ii. Five Day Meal Packs/Distribution
    - iii. Be sure download the EA Parent App
      1. Resources for social emotional learning
- IX. Concluding Remarks
- a. Questions
- X. Next Meeting: April 8, 2021
- a. no meeting April 1 due to Spring Break
  - b. Virtual via Google Meets

