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#### EGCC GATOR GRAD GAZETTE all about a fumni

### **Gator Grad Spotlight**

MEET ALUM - JOHN WALKER!

- 1. EGCC graduation year and major: 2021, Business Management with a Labor Studies Focus.
- 2. Current role within your company: Secretary Maryland State Legislative Director SMART-TD and CSX Railroad Conductor.
- 3. How has your education at EGCC influenced or helped you in your life and career? Because of the writing, labor, and HR courses, I was able to provide testimony for the Surface Transportation Board hearings on Urgent Issues in Freight Rail Service in Washington, DC. No matter how many years down the road, my name is on record in these hearings. EGCC has taken any doubt and fears away from having our voices heard by an alum.
  4. How are you staying connected to EGCC as an alum? I am volunteering as the Chapter Leader for the EGCC Alumni Virginia Chapter
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  5. Favorite thing about your time at EGCC/Jeff Tech? Leanring from so many great professors.



Give me the spotlight!

Want to be the next Alumni Spotlight?
Fill out the form providing us with information using the button to the left and become our future Alumni Spotlight!

# GRADUATION WEEKEND

We celebrated our newest alumni, the EGCC Class of 2022, this past June in Youngstown, Ohio. We kicked off the weekend on Friday, June 3rd, with a traditional African Kente Donning Ceremony for members of the Black Student Union. They are now members of the EGCC Black Alumni Chapter. This ceremony celebrates the achievement of black undergraduate students, recognizing hard work, dedication, and perseverance. This ceremony preceded the first annual Grad Fest, a block party-style graduation jam-packed with fun, food, and dancing. Grads had the opportunity to tour the campus, meet faculty and staff, engage with senior leadership, and join the EGCC Alumni Association! (Photos attached) On Saturday, June 4th, the in-person graduation ceremony took place, with nearly 1000 grads crossing stage! On Sunday, June 5th, we featured our online ceremony, honoring graduates from across the US who could not attend the in-person ceremony. It was an exciting weekend, and we are extremely proud of all our graduates! Be sure to join the EGCC Alumni Association to stay connected to the









Please know that your diploma will be ordered after all grades from your last semester are posted and the Dean of your program provides final approval. Diplomas may take 6 to 8 weeks to arrive via mail to your address on file with the college once the college places the order. Please make sure your address is up to date as we will use the address you have on file with the Registrar's office. This is where your diploma will be mailed. Your EGCC transcript will also be updated at this time to reflect a graduation status and an official copy of your transcript can be ordered through the National Student Clearinghouse link. The transcript is the document that institutions and employers will request for graduate verification.







As EGCC alumni, you have lifelong access to the EGCC Career Development Department. The Career Development Team offers numerous resources and benefits to assist you in your professional career, including resume building, interviewing skills, job search assistance, and so much more. To take advantage of these resources, contact the Career Development Department via email at <a href="mailto:careerservices@egcc.edu">careerservices@egcc.edu</a> to talk to and schedule an appointment with a career coordinator. You can also visit the links below to explore Career

Development resources at your convenience:
<a href="https://egcc.edu/students/student-support-services/career-services/">https://egcc.edu/students/student-support-services/career-services/</a>
<a href="https://egcc.libguides.com/careerdevelopment/resume">https://egcc.libguides.com/careerdevelopment/resume</a>

Facebook: EGCC Career Center

# **Alumni Town Hall.**

On Thursday, June 16th, we held the first Alumni Town Hall of 2022. Alumni had the opportunity to meet and engage with Senior Vice President and Chief Development Officer Art Daly. They also participated in a discussion with Alumni Coordinator Kelley Frazier to learn about the objectives and directions of the EGCC Alumni Association, ask questions, and provide suggestions and feedback. As alumni, your voice matters! Don't miss the next Alumni Town Hall in November!

View the replay: June 2022 Alumni Town Hall

# Gator Giveback.

As Gator Alumni, YOU are a vital part of the ongoing success of Eastern Gateway Community College and its students. Taking part in the Gator Giveback Challenge can help make a great impact on your alma mater. While ANY contribution amount is needed and highly appreciated, we challenge you to give back in the amount of your graduation year (example: if you graduated in 2019, you would donate \$20.19). Your contribution will assist current and future students by providing essential dollars for tuition assistance, academic programs, and student activities. It will also provide funding for alumni programs such as the alumni dinner, networking events,



#### IN MADS

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participate in the
Gator Giveback
Challenge by
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contribution by
scanning the QR
code above or
using the "Donate

Here" button.

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and more.



## GET CONNECTED. **STAY CONNECTED**.

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LinkedIn <u>Eastern Gateway Community College Alumni</u>
TWITTER <u>@EGCCAlumni</u>
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# ALUMNI **CHAPTERS**.

EGCC Alumni- LGBTQIA+ Chapter (Lead by Alum Shayna Canty)
EGCC Alumni- Virginia Chapter (Led by Alum John Walker)
EGCC Alumni- Georgia Chapter (Leader needed)
EGCC Alumni- Pennsylvania Chapter (Led by Alum Tamarra Clark)
EGCC Alumni- Ohio/Kentucky Chapter (Led by Alum Dana Meadows Brown)
EGCC Alumni- Illinois Chapter (Led by Alum Amy Stemper)
EGCC Alumni- North Carolina Chapter (Led by Alum Alan Roye)
EGCC Alumni- California/Nevada Chapter (Led by Alum Anthony Garrett)
EGCC Alumni- New York/New Jersey Chapter (Leader needed)
EGCC Alumni- Maryland Chapter (Led by Alum Jasmine Collins)
EGCC Black Alumni Chapter (Led by Alumni LaBianca Jones and Jasmine Collins)

EGCC Alumni Book Club (Led by Alum Kerensa Harwick)

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More chapters will be added! If you are interested in leading a chapter or would like to suggest a chapter, please email Alumni Coordinator Kelley Frazier at <a href="mailto:kfrazier@egcc.edu">kfrazier@egcc.edu</a>.



#### ALUMNI SMALL BUSINESS EXPO/DIRECTORY.

We will be hosting a virtual Alumni Small Business Expo and building a directory of EGCC Alumni small business owners! If you would like to participate in the expo and be listed in the directory, please contact the EGCC Alumni Office at <a href="mailto:alumni@egcc.edu">alumni@egcc.edu</a> with your name, business name and



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Update here!





