

MI-CAPP RECAP

DECEMBER 2020 - FEBRUARY 2021



CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE!

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A MESSAGE FROM THE

President



Greetings MI-CAPP!

We made it to 2021! We're approaching the one-year mark of when the pandemic hit, and our lives drastically changed! We went from in-person services, attending social gatherings, being able to see loved ones to being quarantined at home, moving to a VIRTUAL world and witnessing racial injustice in our country! Some have lost loved ones to COVID-19 or know someone who was impacted by this virus! It's been an emotional year! And despite our own personal tribulations, we continued to get up every day to serve our students; just like TRIO Professionals do! You are making a difference in so many lives! You are truly appreciated!

I am honored to serve MI-CAPP, this year alongside a dynamic board! We are committed to moving MICAPP forward to be the leader in our region and across the nation. As we celebrate our 50th year of educational success and leadership, I encourage you to get involved by joining a committee. We need you to be a part of the next 50 years of MI-CAPP!

Finally, I would like to wish all the Talent Search and Educational Opportunity Center projects GOOD LUCK as you submit your grants!

I hope you and your families are healthy and safe!

Sincerely,

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MI-RECAP

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2021 MICAPP Scholarship Competition

This year's scholarship reading took place virtually on Friday, January 15th, with a competition slate of 42 applicants. Because there were no submissions for Study Abroad or Veteran's Scholarships, the board approved a reallocation of funds to award 10 additional scholarships. This allowed for a total of 26 MI-CAPP Scholarship winners, including 2 EOA Scholarship Recipients, and 2 additional EOA finalists. EOA was impressed with what MICAPP is doing, and this wouldn't be possible without the dedication of the Reading Committee and chairs Yadira Bautista and Anna Maria Clark. Winners will be celebrated at the 2021 SLS Conference via pre-recorded videos and submitted bios. The committee seeks new members as they plan for 2022.

<u>Transitional Board Meeting:</u>

While this year's Transitional Board meeting on December 14th looked a lot different than last year, the energy, dedication, and connection was still there. Prior to reports, MI-CAPP was treated to a great engagement check-in by President-Elect, Andrea Mireles, followed by a self-care session by Monica Marie-Jones. Even through our computer screens, Andrea and Monica were able to create bonds between participants and remind us all to take care of ourselves and each other.

Participants were also taken through some of the innovative practices MI-CAPP programs have utilized throughout the pandemic--virtual art classes with local studios, Zoom cooking classes, career conversations, socially-distanced bonfires--TRIO programs have truly found a way to make it work. We look forward to a powerful year together, marked by change, adaptation, and unwavering dedication to our students.

Monica's Website: https://www.monicamariejones.com (visit Resources for her free E-book)

Grant Competitions/COE:

Good luck to current and prospective Talent Search and EOC programs who submitted their proposals by Feb. 26th and March 1st, respectively!

For those who will be writing in the upcoming year, COE has released tentative dates for Proposal Writing Workshops (visit https://coenet.org/professional_development.shtml) for registration details and information):

- April 12-13 UB/UBMS
- May 10-11 McNair
- June 6-7 VUB

*Must be a COE Institutional Member to register.

The 2021 Virtual National Student Leadership Congress is approaching. The deadline to register is March 26th.

CONGRATULATIONS MICAPP 2021 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Adult Learners Academic Achievement

Kyle Kelly, SSS, Bay College
Maira Hurtado, SSS, GRCC
Jasmine Wilson, SSS, GVSU
Ajanae McCree, SSS, GVSU
Nhung Pham SSS, GVSU
Kayla Jones, SSS, Lake Michigan College
Olivia Anderson, SSS, Bay College

Adult Learners Academic Progress

Brianna Uriostegui, SSS, GVSU Fatima Alonso-Chavez, SSS, GVSU Autumn Graham, SSS, Bay College Emma James, SSS, Mid-Michigan College

Pre-College Academic Achievement

Katara Blanks, UB, Beecher High school
Angel Escobar-Loarca, UB, GR Innovation Central
Tumani Wahhab, TS, Oak Park High School
Geesiena Duron, UB, Holland High School
Nereyda Sanchez-Gama, UB, Western International H.S.
Joselyn Navarro, UB, Western International H.S.
Amelia Suarez, UB, Fennville High School
Jessie Meadows, UB, Mott Middle College
Keyila Hollis, TS, Pontiac High School
Academy of the Americas H.S.

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Pre-College Academic Progress

Dulce Thahuel Varela, UB, Mott Community College River Haney, UB, Detroit Collegiate Prep Rogelio Esparza, UB, Fennville High School

EOA Scholarship Winners/Semi-Finalist

Grace Kraniak, SSS, Bay College Delfina Duron, UB, Holland High School Angel Ruiz, UB, Holland High School

MI-CAPP FAIR SHARE

For meeting our
2020-2021 Fair Share Goal and
earning a free registration to Policy Seminar!

Thank you to everyone who submitted 10 for 10 contributions, renewed their institutions COE membership, or contributed in any additional ways.

There is still time to contribute.

Contact: Cindy Cowell micapp-development@eoa.org



LEADERS LIGHT THE WAY

TRIO MI-CAPP STUDENT LEADERSHIP SUMMIT March 19 & 20



Open until March 5th

To register, visit:

http://micapp.org/st udent-leadershipsummit.html

SAVE THE DATE

APRIL 12-13

MI-CAPP 50th

VIRTUAL

PROFESSIONAL SPRING

CONFERENCE



Please contact Kailee at **micapp-pastpresident@eoa.org** or Andrea at **micapp-president-elect@eoa.org** for additional information or to volunteer.

MICAPP COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEEDED

Have you wanted to get more involved with our state chapter, but are unsure where to start?

There are several MICAPP committees that would love your insight and experience.

Committee work is a great way to stay engaged with our chapter, connect with peers, and create powerful experiences and opportunities for our students.

Even if you're unsure, or even a little scared to start, our board is here to help support you.

Several hands make a lighter load--let's work together to make a difference for Michigan TRIO students!!

Click here to learn more about MI-CAPP committees and to sign up to join!

https://forms.gle/AGf9hrXfMjxLWxWZ6









CONNECTION

CIRCLE

MARCH 8th 10 - 10:40am and 2:30 - 3:10pm

Participants will engage in a virtual event to de-stress, boost your energy, and add a smile to brighten your week.

> 10:00 AM - <u>ZOOM LINK</u> 2:30 PM - <u>ZOOM LINK</u>

We invite TRIO colleagues across the state of Michigan to join us and **Heather Winia** to step away from work for a little bit for fun, stress relief and a boost of energy.

Heather brings 27 years of experience in fitness and wellness and 15 years of sharing health related workshops in various educational venues worldwide.





2019-2020 ELI, Alejo Sepulveda on call with Representative Haley Stevens

SIGN-UP FOR POLICY 2021

https://coenet.org/policy_seminar.shtml

The annual COE Policy Seminar is coming up at the end of the month. Registration is still open. The conference will held 100% using a virtual platform.

You can learn, engage, and advocate from the comfort of your home or office.

In 2020, 100% of Michigan House/Senate offices were reached! This a great way to support our 72 Michigan programs and connect with our state leaders.

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Do you have a innovative practice or resource you want to share with your peers?

Do you have an remarkable alumni or student you want to highlight?

Do you have news or updates you want to share with the membership?

MICAPP RECAP wants to hear from you. We are currently accepting submissions for our March newsletter (submit by March 15th).

For questions or to submit, Email: micapp-pubrelations@eoa.org

