

## **BOARD AGENDA INFORMATIONAL ITEM**

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**DEPARTMENT:** Communications/Public  
Information Department

**TOPIC: GOOD NEWS**

**FOR THE MONTH OF:** June 2023

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7. **Gaston County Schools** conducted its annual retirees celebration at CaroMont Health Park. More than 100 retirees and guests enjoyed food, fellowship, and the Gastonia Honey Hunters baseball game. It was a casual and relaxing atmosphere to recognize the  
o Gaston County Schools.
  
8. **Gaston County Schools** recognized four outstanding bus drivers during the school  
**Amy Giles** of **Beam Elementary**, **Tawanna Sanders** of **Bessemer City Central Elementary**, **Isaiah Sturgis** of **Holbrook Middle**, and **Sam Kaylor** of **Forestview High School** were presented the Tracey Lea Calhoun Award. The honor goes to school bus drivers who have made a significant contribution to the school transportation profession and bus safety. In addition, **Robby Kendr**

15. **Bessemer City High School** senior **Randall Pettus** was named to the N.C. Coaches Association East-West all-star basketball game. The game will be played on July 17 at the Greensboro Coliseum.

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roadways through public art: **Skylar Oplinger, Mount Holly Middle School; Emily Edmonson, East Gaston High School; Lilyan Helms, East Gaston High School; Caroline Czekaj, Pinewood Elementary; Lucy Phan, Pinewood Elementary; Diego Gonzalez, Pinewood Elementary; Amber Champion, Catawba Heights Elementary; Samantha Escalante, Rankin Elementary; Madison Baruk, Mount Holly Middle School; Josie Bell, Catawba Heights Elementary; and Maddax Cobb, Rankin Elementary.**

28. **Karen Palomino's** ESL (English as a Second Language) class at **Sadler Elementary**