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Oakmont Celebrates Excellence at 2025 Annual Director's Retreat

Oakmont Education proudly celebrated its 2025 Values & Performance Awards at the Annual Director's Retreat, hosted at the historic Metropolitan at The 9 in Downtown Cleveland. The retreat brought together school leaders from across the network for a three-day deep dive into progress, strategy, and inspiration.

This year's retreat focused on celebrating a banner year of achievements as presented by President Dimitrios Kriaras, along with essential updates in purchasing, HR, and expense policies. Leaders also explored evolving strategies in marketing, social media, and CRM usage, while reinforcing our Career Technical Education Pillars through peer insights and best practice sharing.

The highlight of the event was the Values & Performance Awards ceremony, honoring staff and schools who exemplify Oakmont's mission and core values. Congratulations to all 2025 nominees and winners:

Award for Innovation

Finalists: Claudia Diaz (FDHS Main), David Williamson (Westwood), Paige Schaefer (OPA Akron), Janis Bond (Franklinton Prep), Brandi Crim (Marshall Hamilton)

Winner: Brandi Crim – Marshall Hamilton

Award for Commitment

Finalists: Josh Colbert (Cliff Park), Danielle Shane (OPA Cleveland), Nate Burton (Towpath East), Michelle Brown (Steel City), Amy Morgan (Cypress)

Winner: Michelle Brown – Steel City High School

Award for Authenticity

Finalists: Brandon Hatchette (FDHS Euclid), Tia Holland (YouthBuild), Tim Wilmot (Marshall), LaVelle Sharpe (Towpath Main), Joy Beasley (Old Brook Main)

Winner: Brandon Hatchette – FDHS Euclid

The Driven Award

Finalists: Crystal Scott (Towpath Main), Carla Biggert (OPA Cleveland), David Goodwin (Marshall Hamilton), Samantha



Van Fleet (Westwood), Jennie Amodio (Old Brook Parma)

Winner: Carla Biggert – OPA Cleveland

Most Improved School

Winner: Liberty High School

School of the Year

Winner: Old Brook High School – Parma Campus

Congratulations to all our nominees and winners—your work drives our mission forward every day.