

## Edwin Allen High School Alumni Association, Mid-Atlantic Chapter P.O. Box 7776, Hicksville, NY 11802-8702

"Progress and Strength Through Diversity"

## 2021 Year in Review

The Edwin Allen High School Alumni Association (EAHSAA), Mid-Atlantic Chapter started 2021 with a new Board, following the election of officers at our Annual General Meeting in December 2020. The new Board had to cancel all Association's traditional fundraisers activities including our popular Annual Spring Dinner Dance Gala and our Summer Boatride due to impacts from COVID-19.

In 2021, our alma mater experienced some transformational changes with the hiring of a new Principal, Mr. Jermaine Harris. At our October meeting held via the Zoom platform, Mr. Harris, gave his vision for transforming the Edwin Allen High School into a high performing school. He also participated in a dialogue with Association members as well as other invited past-students from across the US on Thursday, October 28, 2021.

During 2021, EAHSAA Mid-Atlantic Chapter continue to persevere and accomplished several important goals. The Chapter continues its commitment to ensure the continued success of our alma mater. Some of our accomplishments for this past year include

- donating \$4,500 to purchase a mass copier/printer to copy educational material for distribution to students who do not have access to online learning,
- provided resources to the track and field team to aid in their participation in this year's ISSA Boys & Girls Track and Field Championship. Congratulations to the Edwin Allen High School Girls team who won Girls Champ for the 7<sup>th</sup> consecutive year!
  Congratulations also to the Boys team for finishing 6<sup>th</sup> in Boys Champs their best performance to date.
- Edwin Allen top girl's sprinter, Tina Clayton made us proud at the World Junior Track and Field Championship by winning the 100 Meters in 11.09 seconds. Edwin Allen had 3 of the 4 members of the 4 X 100 meters Relay that broke the World Record in the same World Junior Games.

• Kudos to our DaCosta Cup Soccer Team for making it to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Round of the playoff last Saturday.

In August this year the school sent the Association a letter requesting scholarship to fund the school fees for 32 student-athletes on the Girls track and field team. The EAHSAA Board approved \$2,165 to fund the scholarships and it was presented to the school in December 2021.

Additional, one of our members, Pauline Palmer-Williams, sponsored 2 \$250 awards for the most outstanding achievement in the 2021 CSEC Exam. The Principal, Mr. Harris selected Kahalia Oram and Leondrae Maduro as the awardees.