



**President's Report**  
**May 16, 2017**

**Why does Gateway exist?**

Talent realization  
 Talent development  
 Improved quality of life

**Employee Values**

Support/empowerment  
 Innovation /risk taking  
 Collaboration/teamwork  
 Communication  
 Integrity/ethics

**Board Values**

Student Success  
 Opportunity  
 Community  
 Affect Change  
 Responsibility  
 Communication

**President's Values**

Talent discovery  
 Alignment  
 Collaboration  
 Accountability  
 Communication

**Mission moment:**

We asked students to tell us why they were #with Gateway. Below are just a few of the comments we received. You can see them all on the homepage of our website:

- **Allison E:** Being able to get my pre requisites completed at a great price and having great one on one talks with professors!
- **April S:** The best part about Gateway is the professors. The professors work side by side with me, helping me gain skills I never even knew where there.
- **Jennifer M:** The community atmosphere, and some of opportunities that I have come across
- **Cody B:** Smaller classes and near home. Friendly environment!
- **Teresa W:** I feel at home there and have made numerous friends. I love my advisors and the choices they have helped me to make.
- **Bryan S:** I love how much attention the staff gives each student. The staff truly wants to see each student succeed at their fullest potential.
- **Caitlyn C:** I loved having the opportunity to learn and grow as an individual!
- **Steven W:** Gateway provided me the opportunity to gain an affordable education to ensure my future. I'm forever grateful for my time here at Gateway, and a very special thank you to the amazing faculty that guided me to the point I'm at today.
- **Teresa H:** What I love about Gateway... EVERYTHING!

## **Gateway Updates:**

### **Night of Excellence held at NKU on May 9, 2017**

- We recognized 101 students, from adult education to Gateway's six academic and technical divisions.
- These students exemplify dedication, leadership and success, both in the classroom and beyond.
- The Night of Excellence Awards Ceremony is in its 11<sup>th</sup> year of celebrating students who have demonstrated a commitment to excellence in leadership and/or their particular field of study.
- The Gateway Community & Technical College Foundation sponsors this student recognition event each year.
- This year one of the largest crowds ever, with over 250 attending.
- Thanks to the committee who worked so hard to make such a great experience for our students and their families.

### **Graduation at our new venue, the BB&T Arena**

- We conferred 2,326 credentials upon 1,216 candidates for graduation and 150 general equivalency diplomas (GED).
- We had over 260 students walk, one of the largest groups of students participating.
- This year, Gateway saw an 18 percent increase in the number of candidates for graduation, a two percent increase in number of credentials conferred and a 27 percent increase in General Equivalency Diplomas (GED).
- Thanks to Paul Whalen for helping us get our keynote speaker, the Honorable Paul Patton.
- Thanks for board members who attended.
- Excellent venue with plenty of good seats for everyone.
- The graduating students and the reactions of their families is the greatest expression of our WHY.
- One student from Connor High School graduated from Gateway with an AS and will graduate from high school June 3.
- Thanks to the graduation committee who made our first graduation at the new venue a success.
- Our first class of KYFAME students graduated.

**Participation on a panel discussion May 15 at the Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber & Northern Kentucky Chamber of Commerce annual joint board meeting hosted by the NKY Chamber of Commerce at Hotel Covington.**

- Panel topic: *Workforce and Talent Challenges in our Region*
- Participants:
  - Fernando Figueroa, President, Gateway Community & Technical College
  - Monica Posey, President, Cincinnati State (invited)
  - Jordan Vogel, Vice President, Talent, Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber
  - Rhonda Whitaker, Northern Kentucky Community Manager, Duke Energy, Incoming Chair, NKY Chamber of Commerce

**KY FAME State Summit/North American Advanced Manufacturing Technician (AMT) Conference hosted at Gateway Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday this week.**

- Providers (employers, schools and economic development professionals) have the opportunity to learn of the successes of other programs.
- The Gateway KYFAME program is showcased with tours and presentations.
- The annual conference keeps the industry and FAME on a common path with common practices and standards.
- The KYFAME summit precedes the National AMT Conference at the Hilton and Gateway.
- The summit will focus on learning best practices and discussing challenges with FAME partners from around the Commonwealth.
- Activities include panel discussions on student recruitment strategies and utilizing community partners for chapter sustainability, succession planning and upskilling incumbent employees, student mentoring and in-house training and company engagement and outreach.
- I gave remarks at the NKY FAME graduation celebration last night and made remarks at today's opening of the National AMT Conference.
- Dee Wright, Michelle Flick and Carissa Schutzman are presenters at the national conference.
- Over 250 individuals from the manufacturing industry, statewide and nationally, will visit Gateway over the next few days.
- Thanks to our Workforce and Advanced Manufacturing staff and faculty for working so hard to make Gateway shine at these conferences.

