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Student Connection



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Ke'Arra Harper

Garfield Heights



Ke'Arra Harper is a senior at Garfield Heights High School and is enrolled in CVCC's Education Professions program instructed by Josephine Everhart. Ke'Arra has always loved the idea of becoming a teacher, so when she discovered that CVCC offered an education program, it was a no-brainer. *"I've always been drawn to the teaching field. I love kids and I love helping others, especially students."*

Ke'Arra's favorite experience within her program has been her field experience at Glendale Primary School in Bedford. The opportunity gave her real-world experience in her field and confirmed her interest for teaching. During her time at Glendale, Ke'Arra worked with first graders; she spent 3 days out of the week there, and 2 days at CVCC.

After graduation, Ke'Arra is planning on attending Tri-C, where she is currently taking a few classes to get ahead (she even took it upon herself to take classes over the summer), with plans to potentially transfer to Cleveland State University. Ke'Arra hopes to become a kindergarten teacher, and maybe one day become a principal or school administrator.

Ke'Arra's advice to future and current CVCC students is to never compare yourself or your journey to that of others. *"Your journey is completely different from the person sitting next to you in class, so never compare yourself or your journey. It won't do you any good."*

Outside of academics, Ke'Arra is the Vice President of Educators Rising at CVCC and is also a member of National Honors Society. In her spare time she babysits, volunteers, and loves doing nails. Keep up the great work, Ke'Arra!

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