

<u>Noor Wazni</u> Revere



Noor Wazni, a senior at Revere High School, is currently enrolled in CVCC's Dental Assisting program, led by instructor Lisa Theodore. When Noor first toured CVCC, she didn't have a specific program in mind—she simply knew she wanted a more hands-on learning experience than what a traditional classroom could offer. That mindset shifted when she met Mrs. Theodore, whose passion for dentistry was contagious. Noor quickly felt drawn to the program, and it wasn't long before she realized it was exactly where she was meant to be.

What started as a leap into something new turned into a career path. Noor now dreams of a future in dentistry—and she's already making strides in that direction. She currently works nearly full-time at Fairlawn Plaza Dental Arts, a position she found on Indeed and is getting school credit through CVCC's Work-Based Learning program. There, she works under Dr. Abanob Saied, a CVCC Dental Assisting alumnus himself, who, along with his team, has praised Noor's strong work ethic and professionalism. Before this role, she gained valuable experience at Sullivan Orthodontics, where she enjoyed her time but is thankful for the chance to transition from an orthodontic environment to a general practice—broadening her skills along the way.

"Mrs. Theodore is the best, and being at CVCC has matured me—in a good way," Noor shared. "The program has shown me how you can express your personality through what you do—like making patients feel comfortable in the chair so they can actually enjoy their appointment."

One of her favorite moments in the program was volunteering at a MedWish/MedWorks event in Cleveland, where she and her classmates had the chance to assist with restorative dental procedures, including composite (white) fillings—a real-world experience that left a lasting impression.

After graduation, Noor will be heading to Youngstown State University to pursue a Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene, with her ultimate goal of becoming an orthodontist. Outside of school and work, she enjoys painting, spending time with her friends, and hanging out with her cat, Elsa. Her advice to future students? "Take the opportunity to get ahead and spend your day learning and doing something you actually enjoy." Way to go, Noor—we're cheering you on!

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