Richmond Community College



2017-2018 Student Government Association Candidate

My name is Carla Howard and I attend Richmond Community College. In addition to school, I also work at Moore Regional Hospital and am a single mother of an energetic two year old boy. I have completed my Associate in Arts degree and am now working on my Nursing Assistant I certification. Not only am I active at school in the HOSA club but I am also active in the community. As a member of HOSA I recently competed in a state competition where I placed first in the Nurse Aid event. My community involvement includes collecting over 200,000 soda can tops for the Ronald McDonald House which went towards the purchase of a hearing aid and playground equipment. My goal is to finish up my schooling by completing a Nursing degree. Although my schedule is very busy I always make sure I have time to still be a wonderful mother to my son Zay'vion; he is my motivation to keep going and achieving all I can in life.

Why are you interested in becoming a student government officer?

I am interested in becoming treasurer for SGA because I feel I can help develop a positive working relationship between students, RCC leadership and the local community.

What skills and strengths do you possess that are specific to carrying out the duties for the position you applied?

My hard work, dedication and honesty have been beneficial in my schooling and personal life. As the treasurer for SGA I feel these same attributes would be an asset in fulfilling my roles and responsibilities in this position. As a cashier and nursing assistant, I have been able to obtain customer service, money management, and attention to detail skills that are also beneficial to me in the position of treasurer.

What are your ideas and goals for the next year as an officer of the student government association?

My goals for next year as Treasurer are to improve student participation in SGA activities and monitor funds to ensure we stay in line with our budget. I would like to see SGA do events like talent shows and art shows to allow students to show off their creative sides and encourage them to remain positive about their education.

What is your plan for increasing student participation in campus activities and clubs?

My plan is to improve event/club advertisement by posting flyers around the campus. For those programs that do not have a club I would like to work with teachers to start a club. I feel the clubs will help students prepare for jobs by improving their interviewing skills and help build their self-esteem.