

## Press Clippings 5/15/2018

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### **U-46 to recognize top-performing graduates, award-winning teacher at school board meeting**

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The District U46 School Board will recognize the district's top-performing graduating seniors and an award-winning teacher at its meeting Monday night.

The 6 p.m. meeting will be at South Elgin High School, 760 E. Main St., in order to accommodate the more than 50 soon-to-graduate students and their families. The group invited Monday are in the top 2 percent academically for the 2017-18 school year. Certificates and congratulatory letters will be presented as part of the event.

In addition, Otter Creek Elementary School teacher Mary Fulin will be recognized for recently earning the 2017-18 Kane County Elementary School Teacher of the Year award from the Kane County Regional Office of Education. The Elgin second-grade teacher has taught for 32 years.

There are only two other items on the agenda besides the student and teacher recognition events. However, there will still be a time when the public can make comments to the board.

Also, In closed session, the board is expected to evaluate the applications submitted by residents seeking to succeed board member Traci O'Neal Ellis, who resigned two weeks ago. Candidates will be interviewed during special school board meetings being held Thursday and Friday nights, which are open to the public.

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### **Bartlett, Elgin students to speak at ECC commencement**

SUBMITTED BY ELGIN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Elgin Community College will hold two commencement ceremonies for the spring 2018 graduating class on Saturday, May 19. Both ceremonies will be held in the Building J

Events Center, 1700 Spartan Drive, Elgin. Students are assigned to the graduation ceremony based on the credential being earned.

A ceremony for university transfer degrees (associate in arts, associate in science, associate in fine arts-visual art emphasis, associate in fine arts-music performance emphasis, associate in engineering science and associate in liberal studies) will be held at 10 a.m.

A ceremony for career and technical programs (associate of applied science degrees, vocational specialist certificates and basic vocational specialist certificates) will be held at 2 p.m.

Jane Maas, BS, CDA, dental assisting adjunct faculty member and the 2017 Orrin G. Thompson Teaching Excellence Award winner, will speak at both ceremonies.

This year's student speakers are Priscilla Gonzalez of Elgin for the university transfer degree ceremony and Solana Victoria of Bartlett for the career and technical programs ceremony.

The commencement address for both ceremonies will be given by ECC President David Sam, PhD, JD, LL.M. Jeffrey Meyer, JD, ECC board chairman, also will give remarks during the ceremonies.

Also, a graduation ceremony honoring recipients of the Illinois High School Equivalency Certificate will be held at 7 p.m. Friday, May 18, in the Building J Events Center.

The student speaker for the high school equivalency ceremony is Galo Yangari of South Elgin.

Guests do not need tickets for admission to the ceremonies and there will be open seating. The doors will open one hour prior to the start of each ceremony.

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