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Three BridgeValley Instructors Recognized by Job Corps

(South Charleston, WV) - Three BridgeValley Community and Technical College instructors were recently recognized by the Charleston Job Corps Center at the Job Corps National Graduation Ceremony.

BridgeValley's Pharmacy Tech instructor Maggie Cavender, Dental Assisting instructor Kasandra Parrish and Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) instructor Pam Dawson received awards for their commitment to teaching and student success.

Cavender and Parrish were recognized for outstanding student placement. Onehundred percent of the students completing their courses last year are either currently working in their field or continuing their education at a two- or- four-year institution. Likewise, Dawson had a high number (90 percent) of students who are either working with their field or attending college. She, however, received an award for student completion. As the instructor with the most students last year, Dawson saw 76 students graduate and move on to their next career step.

For over a decade, BridgeValley has partnered with the Charleston Job Corps Center to provide continuing education instruction and the opportunity for students to earn industry certifications, college credit and the ability to complete their associate degree at the college while enrolled in the Job Corps program. The three programs recognized - Pharmacy Tech, Dental Assisting and CAN - are the only programs offered on the Job Corps site.

About BridgeValley Community and Technical College

BridgeValley Community and Technical College promotes student success, prepares a skilled workforce, and builds tomorrow's leaders by providing access to quality higher education. BridgeValley Community and Technical College will be the college of

opportunity for a diverse learner population, offering leading-edge technology, innovative ideas, and dynamic service to our students and our communities. BridgeValley Community and Technical College serves a six-county region including Fayette, Raleigh, Nicholas, Clay, Putnam and Kanawha counties. The college operates two campuses in Montgomery and South Charleston, along with the addition of the new Advanced Technology Center. BridgeValley Community and Technical College is a public institution of higher education independently accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Schools and Colleges and a member of the Community and Technical College System of West Virginia.

For more information about BridgeValley Community and Technical College financial aid opportunities, programs of study, workforce training and community education and events, call (304) 205-6600 or; or check the College's website: "<u>http://www.bridgevalley.edu</u>"