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NOTE: Includes students from the following counties: ADAMS, BROWN, CLERMONT, CLINTON, FAYETTE, GREENE, HIGHLAND, PICKAWAY, ROSS, and WARREN.



CUTLINE: Twenty students were recognized for completion of Southern State Community College's one-year certificate program in practical nursing. They include (first row, 1-r) McKenzie Maxwell, Erica Richardson, Sha Willett, Mallory Walker, Sydney Cornwell, Gwen Snider; (second row, 1-r) Elizabeth McDaniel, Rebecca Eggleton, Rachelle Hibbs, Sarah Slusher, Leslie Wiederhold, Mia Morgan; (third row, 1-r) Sabrina Bennett, Roberto Santiago, Daniel Lamb, Jonathan Gibson, and Jacob Cox. Absent from the photo are Heidi Critzer, Kathryn Landacre, and Ashley Ruth.



CUTLINE: Twenty-one students were recognized for earning an associate degree of nursing from Southern State Community College. They include (front row, 1-r): Melissa Reed, Shannon Cross, Natalie Dunn, Amber Smith, Shelby Watters, Laurie Pitman, Cecilia Proffitt; (second row, 1-r) Heather Weaver, Felicia Hedrick, Devona Prater, Stephanie Rabon, Rose Pence, Janel Baker; (back row, 1-r) Sheri Kovach, Kristie Scheek, Chay Clouser, Brandon Alexander, Brooke Stingley, Brittany Parcell, and Jennifer Sexton. Absent from the photo is Kristina Regan.

## 41 complete Southern State's nursing programs

Forty-one nursing students were honored during a special recognition ceremony held Dec. 12 on the college's Central Campus in Hillsboro. Twenty students were recognized for completion of the college's certificate program in practical nursing, while twenty-one graduated with an associate's degree in nursing.

The practical nursing program at Southern State is a certificate program combining lecture classes, lab practice and clinical experience designed to prepare the graduate to be eligible to complete the licensure examination (NCLEX-PN) to become a Licensed Practical Nurse. Upon completion of the first-year Practical Nursing program, students can choose to test for licensure and begin work as an LPN, or stay at Southern State and complete the second-year Associate Degree program. Southern State's nursing program is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, Inc., and has full approval of the Ohio Board of Nursing.

Those completing the practical nursing certificate include Sabrina Bennett\* of Hillsboro, Sydney Cornwell\* of Washington C.H., Jacob Cox\* of Washington C.H., Heidi Critzer\* of Wilmington, Rebecca Eggleton\*\* of Washington C.H., Jonathan Gibson of Hillsboro, Rachelle Hibbs\* of Lynchburg, Daniel Lamb\*\* of New Vienna, Kathryn Landacre of Hillsboro, McKenzie Maxwell of Wilmington, Elizabeth McDaniel of Chillicothe, Mia Morgan\* of West Union, Erica Richardson of Wilmington, Ashley Ruth\* of Washington C.H., Roberto Santiago\*\* of New Vienna, Sarah Slusher of Xenia, Gwen Snider of Hillsboro, Mallory Walker\* of Lynchburg, Leslie Wiederhold of Hillsboro, and Sha Willett of Greenfield (\* denotes college honors; # denotes members of Phi Theta Kappa honor society).

Those completing the associate degree in nursing include Brandon Alexander\* of Winchester, Janel Baker\*\* of Blanchester, Chay Clouser\* of Bainbridge, Shannon Cross\* of Greenfield, Natalie Dunn of Washington C.H., Felicia Hedrick\*\* of Hillsboro, Sheri Kovach\* of New Holland, Brittany Parcell\*\* of Chillicothe, Rose Pence\* of Sabina, Laurie Pitman\* of Blanchester, Devona Prater of Winchester, Cecilia Proffitt of Amelia, Stephanie Rabon of Blanchester, Melissa Reed\* of Washington C.H., Kristina Regan\*\* of Morrow, Kristie Scheek\* of Ripley, Jennifer Sexton of Peebles, Amber Smith\* of Washington C.H., Brooke Stingley\* of Waynesville, Shelby Watters\*\* of Hillsboro, and Heather Weaver\* of Mowrystown (\* denotes college honors; # denotes members of Phi Theta Kappa honor society).

For more information about Southern State's nursing programs, please visit <a href="www.sscc.edu/academics/associate/nursing.shtml">www.sscc.edu/academics/associate/nursing.shtml</a> or call Administrative Assistant Sue Leach at 1-800-628-7722, ext. 2640.