

# Y O U N G E D U C A T O R S S O C I E T Y NEWSLETTER

SPRING 2005

## Fall Conference Offers Advisors Opportunities TO LEARN ABOUT YES

Early Fall is an ideal time for advisors, teachers, counselors, and academic advisors to learn about the many benefits of The Young Educators Society of Michigan (YES).

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for advisors to share information. The 2005 YES Advisors Conference will convene on Thursday, October 20, at the Instructional Staff Development Center in Saginaw, Michigan. For further information, please refer to the web site at [www.wmich.edu/yes](http://www.wmich.edu/yes) or contact Marilyn Norwood at (989) 399-6691.



Dr. Sonya Gunnings-Moton, Assistant Dean, Michigan State University presents a publication of the YES Advisors Handbook at a recent YES Executive Board Meeting.



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## Four Scholarship Winners To be Honored at Annual Conference

Two high school seniors and two college juniors will receive honor and recognition for their participation in the 2005 YES Scholarship Program during the YES Annual Spring Conference at the Bernhard Center of Western Michigan University on Friday, April 15, 2005. This merit-based award is granted to exceptional high school seniors and college students who demonstrate high academic achievement, extra curricula involvement and a desire to enter into the teaching profession.

In order to apply, eligible students may obtain applications online at [www.wmich.edu/yes](http://www.wmich.edu/yes). The application period begins on December 1, and ends on March 1, of each academic year.

### PLEASE ATTEND

#### The Teacher Cadet Curriculum Training Seminar

June 13, 14, & 15, 2005

Regional Education Center • Saginaw Valley State University  
Contact Person: Dr. Barbara J. Jones (989) 964-4494



## DR. LAVERNE E. THOMPSON

Teacher, Administrator:  
*Always Placed Students First*

Dr. Laverne E. Thompson, YES Executive Board member left her small town in Hopewell Virginia and built a successful career as a public school teacher in Ohio and an administrator at Wayne County Community College District, Detroit, Michigan.

Dr. Thompson died January 7, 2005 at her home. She was born in Brooklyn, New York and attended schools in Hopewell, and graduated from Carter G. Woodson High School.

While in high school, she was elected president of the National Association of New Homemakers of America. She received her B.A. degree from Bluffton College in Bluffton, Ohio: A Masters from the University of Dayton, Dayton Ohio and a Doctorate degree from the University of Toledo.

At the time of death she served as Chief Academic Officer, Northwest Campus Wayne County Community College District. Under the leadership of Dr. Thomp-

son, Wayne County Community College Chapter became the first community college to organize a chapter of the Young Educators Society of Michigan. In a recent board meeting, the YES Executive Board voted to establish a scholarship fund in honor of her memory. The Dr. LaVerne E Thompson Community College Memorial Scholarship.



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