St. Thomas Mathematics Honours College Director

"Most of the students come to my classroom with a fear of the subject and other negatives attitudes. I find that when they feel motivated, teaching the math concepts become easier."

Beverley Hyatt is more than a name and a job title. Born in St. Thomas, she attended Winchester Primary School, and St. Thomas Technical High School (then Stokes Hall Secondary) before attending Mico University College. Having passed through both the primary and secondary schools in the Parish of St. Thomas, she is acutely aware of the challenges the students face.

She was the founder of the St. Thomas High School Mathematics Competition, and teacher of the 2017 champion from Morant Bay High School in the National Mathematics Olympiad. Her students at Morant Bay High School who sat the General Mathematics and Additional Mathematics examinations in the Caribbean Secondary Examination Certificate (CSEC), had a 100 per cent pass rate for more than five consecutive years.

In an August 24, 2017 article in the Gleaner newspaper, Beverley was called the "Math Boss". She was the recipient of the Ministry of Education Award for most outstanding CSEC Mathematics results in 2015, and also the recipient of the Jamaican Teaching Council Award for Most Outstanding Teacher of Mathematics, Region 2, in 2016.

International Experience

Beverley is the Jamaican Representative on the CXC Mathematics Panel headquartered in Barbados. From 2005 to 2008, Beverley was a mathematics teacher and head of the Mathematics Department at the Military Magnet Academy in North Charleston, South Carolina in the United States. While there she also served as the Assistant Coordinator of the after school programme, and also as a member of the mathematics intervention team for struggling students.

Education, Personal, Fellowship

After high school she earned a diploma in primary education from Mico University College, and then a bachelor's in education (mathematics) from the University of the West Indies. Later she earned a M.Sc. from Walden University in the United States, where she focused on integrating technology in the classroom in the teaching of mathematics. Her doctoral degree in education (pending thesis) at Walden University focuses on curriculum, instruction, and assessment.

Beverley has engaged in major professional development and training including The Mico International Mathematics Teaching Summit in 2019, and the NCSM Leadership in Mathematics Education 47th Annual Conference in Boston, Massachusetts.

A member of the Youth Development Group at her church, and a volunteer teacher Youth and Information (MoEYI) in 2013, as a of CSEC mathematics to adults at Yallahs Baptist Church in her community, Beverley



Beverley Hyatt, MSc. Mathematics Master Teacher

- Former Head of Mathematics Department, Morant Bay High School
- Founder and organizer St. Thomas **High Schools Mathematics** Competition
- Students get 100% pass in CSEC mathematics
 - **Additional Mathematics**
 - Distinction in General **Mathematics**
- Develop and facilitate regional workshops in Belize, St. Kitts, Turks & Caicos
- Gleaner article feature, "Math Boss" August 24, 2017
- **Recipient Most Outstanding Teacher** of CSEC Mathematics

was designated by the Ministry of Education, Master Teacher of Mathematics.