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**Graciela Dean**

**2019 EAGLE Winner**

Augusta, GA, March 6, 2019 Graciela Dean has been named the 2019 Exceptional Adult Georgian in Literacy Education (EAGLE) Winner for Augusta Technical College.

The announcement of Dean as the winner was made by President Terry D. Elam at the Faculty and Staff Meeting on Tuesday, December 11, 2018, at Augusta Technical College.

EAGLE is the first statewide program in the nation that recognizes and rewards excellence among students enrolled in adult education programs. This student recognition program is designed to create greater awareness of educational opportunities that are available in local communities across the state and to foster greater involvement in lifelong learning pursuits. The announcement of Mrs. Dean as the Augusta Technical College EAGLE winner, followed by her giving the college-winning speech, was met with resounding applause and a standing ovation from the audience.

"The adult education program has prepared me for college and career-readiness. The experience has been challenging, but with assistance from the amazing instructors in the adult education program, I have learned how to speak, (how)gchallni learn,OnmnB4TT1 12 Tf36 ETD nBT0 gndTd{s3( inak)4 12 E)4 4