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Director of the Mahoning Valley Sanitary District



JAMES V. SYLVESTER SR.

Mr. Sylvester was appointed to the Board of Directors of the Mahoning Valley Sanitary District by the City of Niles' council members in May 2004. Mr. Sylvester is serving his second three-year term which will expire in May of 2010. Additional duties for Mr. Sylvester include a designated seat on the Board of Directors, Personnel Committee for the District.

Mr. Sylvester's prior work experience included the Trumbull County Joint Vocational School where he was an Administrative Consultant from September 1995 through December 1999. He was responsible for doing administrative work with home school students. He also provided technical advice to students in the Warren Alternative Program and mentored entry level vocational instructors. Mr. Sylvester also served as a Trumbull County Joint Vocational School teacher from December 1977 through July 1999. He was responsible for developing the vocational and technical skills for junior and senior high school students. He provided insight on work ethics and general life skills and conducted upgrade skills program through adult education for Packard Electric employees.

Mr. Sylvester received his A.A.S. Degree, Vocational Educational from Kent State University, Kent, Ohio, in the fall of 1983. He also took course work in military studies at the Youngstown College and served as a Staff Sergeant in the U.S. Air Force from December 1950 through December 1953 when he received his Honorable Discharge.

Mr. Sylvester is very active in the community where he resides. He has served as the Niles Men's Democratic Club president twice and as vice-president once. He is a member of the Stephen Foster Chorus of Warren, he serves on the Advisory Committee of the Trumbull Career & Technical Center, and he serves as a lector and instructor at the St Stephen Church, of Niles, Ohio.