The CalWORKs student-of-the-year is Rachaelanne Robinson! Rachaelanne came to SBCC via our SPARC 2022 cohort during the pandemic. Those who have had the privilege of knowing Rachaelanne have been awed by her growth as a student and unwavering perseverance and strong work ethic in pursuit of dreams of having a better life not only for herself, but for her daughter Brighton, who she has lovingly parented alone since birth through many challenges and hardships. Rachael credits her SPARC community and Counselor Ana Garcia for encouraging her to think beyond SBCC, and she will be pursuing a Bachelor’s Degree in Business Administration with an Accounting emphasis at Cal State East Bay this Fall. Per Rachael: “I am so grateful for the skills that I am learning in my classes, and to be better able to understand the business world. I am grateful for the freedom that earning my degree brings. I am so grateful for the gift of believing in myself and my future. For the ability to move more confidently in the world.” Congratulations RachaelAnne and Brighton!