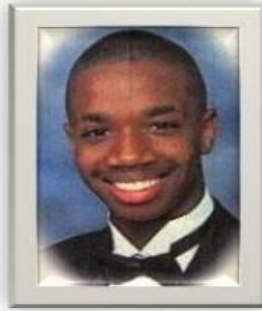


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"My Interests"

Determination plus drive equals success. That's my purpose in life. My determination to do well and seek new opportunities will determine my success. All of my life I knew I would be successful. During my middle school years, computers has been apart of me. I loved to type, fix and browse on the computer. So, I decided to become a Computer Programmer. After progressing to the high school level at East Gadsden, I became a member of the Student Government Association (SGA). I really didn't know what the acronyms meant but as time progressed I became active in the duties of a class representative. Having a passion in this prestigious organization gave me an insight of my interpersonal skills such leadership, communication and professionalism. I was determined to continue. Still as an underclassman, I thought to put these skills to work and became a member of the SGA Executive Board. Now, as a senior I hold the duties of SGA Student Body President and made history by becoming the 1st Mr. EGHS 2007-2008. I have accomplished a lot in my life and have more to come.

After graduating from high school with honors this spring, I will attend the #1 HBCU in the nation, the Florida Agricultural & Mechanical University (FAMU). My term starts summer 2008 majoring in the 5 yr. Masters of Business Administration Program while minoring in Political Science, with high hopes of becoming a senator or congressman. I plan to dwell in Student Government on the university level and become student body president as well. Giving back to Gadsden County, I plan to seek office for Gadsden County School Board District #4.

I'm very proud of myself and the goals I have achieved. Living with my grandmother whom raised me gave me the best gift in life and that's knowing and understanding God's work. I will make my family proud, because my DETERMATION + DRIVE = SUCCESS!!