



# CPE Student Spotlight

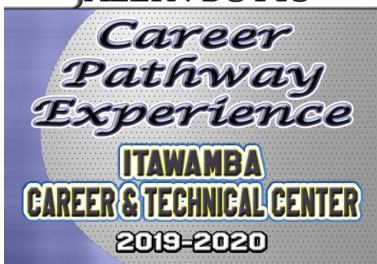
Jaelyn Botts - CPE, Teacher Academy, Educators Rising

by **Jaelyn Botts** on November 1, 2019

Hello my name is Jaelyn Botts. I am a Senior at Itawamba Agricultural High School. When I entered the 10th grade, I had the opportunity to participate in a Career and Technical program. I decided to take Teacher Academy to pursue a pathway in Elementary



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Education. In life, I have set forward a goal I am striving to achieve. That goal is becoming a lower elementary teacher for grades preK-5th. I am currently working towards my goal by taking small steps along the way. As of right now, I am currently employed at Godz Kidz Daycare in Fulton, Mississippi. In my position, I work with kids from ages 1-2 on the daily. I change diapers, clean, organize mats, rinse and put up the cups, constantly wipe the many little runny noses, and so much more. I believe Teacher Academy has helped me immensely in my current occupation. It taught me that patience is a virtue especially in younger minds. Also, it has taught me how much I truly love what I do. I love seeing the sweet smiles light up when I walk in. The way they hug me or give me random kisses on the cheek. Their laughter warms my heart in a way I can't even begin

to explain. After highschool, I still plan to keep my job at Godz Kidz and go to ICC for 2 years. Then, I will continue pursuing my education at Ole Miss for another 2-4 years. I love enjoy writing, drawing, hanging with friends, and even reading books. In all honesty, I would highly recommend my pathway if you truly are passionate about working with students of all ages and have the patience to work with each individually. Now, the CPE class in general, I would also highly recommend. It helps you get a job or at least an internship in the field in which you would want to go in. If given the opportunity I would go back and do it all over again. I would do it every day, because this is my natural high. Seeing the kids and getting to see them smile and laugh, I believe this is my purpose.

THIS WEEK'S  
Current Events

## What's Happening Now.

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This week we celebrated Red Ribbon Week. On Monday, we watched informative documentaries by Tony Hawk, Donald Brown, and Colleen D'Agostino. Also, in the Career Pathway class, we discussed our own natural highs. We discussed what has inspired us and driven us to say no to drugs. On Tuesday, Captain Tammy Reynolds from the Mississippi Bureau of Narcotics spoke to us about the dangers of many popular drugs and the negative impacts they have on your future. For Red Ribbon Week here at the center, we had a different attire everyday to show our stand against drugs. The different dress up days were: America Monday, Take It Back Tuesday, Western Wednesday, Too Bright For Drugs Thursday, and Fan Out Friday. Also this week, Educators Rising, NTHS, and HOSA hosted a booth at Scare on the Square in downtown Fulton, MS. We had mini carnival games for the hundreds of children that came to our booth. They could win prizes and also get little goodie bags! We saw thousands of smiling faces that night and handed out over 1,300 candy bags.

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# CPE Description

by **Deana Patterson** on November 1, 2019

**Essential elements of CPE:** Work-site training, training agreements, training plans, screening of students, job shadowing/internship/paid employment, monitoring the field experience, and program accountability evaluations. The intent of this program is to help students bridge the gap between high school and full-time employment and/or post-secondary education.

Juniors/Seniors from Itawamba, Mantachie, or Tremont High School who have completed 2 years in any of the 12 CTE Pathways in Itawamba County School District are eligible to apply for this program.

**What should I expect in this program?** Students should expect to learn about time management, money management, financial responsibilities, customer service, career opportunities, job search, resume building, and leadership. In addition to completing work hours, students will complete assignments and projects related to leadership, finance, resume and portfolio building, ethics, job applications, workplace security, entrepreneurship, math skills, business fundamentals and scholarship research.

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