Scholarship Video Transcription

Words on Screen: American Dreams; Local Results

Speaker: Scholarship Recipient, Kameron Carpenter, HCC Student, Veteran, Rising Scholar

Word on screen: Service

“My father shared a quote with me. He said ‘Successful people do what unsuccessful people won’t.’ I mean, he shared a lot of quotes with me but that was one of my favorites. Service has been very important to me in my life because of my father, growing up in a family of service. He's in the military. He's been in the military his entire life. And the sacrifices he's made, you know, giving up time with family to go overseas and to do certain things like that, really put it in perspective in my life.

My job in the International Guard is very important, because, without the maintainers, the planes can't go into the air, they can't fly. We tell the pilot that your plane's ready to go, and they put that trust into us 100%, when we tell them it's ready.”

Word on screen: Career

“I want to be that guy that can make a difference in someone's life like that. I want to be there for them in their worst times, when they're sick, or they have this problem with their muscles, or broken bones, or anything. I want to be that person that can make a difference, make them feel better, bring them back to their health, so they can continue on every day, you know, being the person that they were. Not only am I continuing on in science education, but I am going to be able to serve people; I'm going to be able to help them make a difference in people's lives.”

Words on screen: Why Heartland

“The fact that Heartland strives to make students better and they really work with their students, and it's more of a close-knit family, which is what I looked for and where I chose to go because I like my family. I want to be with a family--the fact that I know I can come back to any one of my professors, or even students or faculty that I worked with here, and they'll always be able to help me. They'll always be able to lend a hand. I'm 100% positive, you know, that this was the place for me. This was a great two-year experience, and I wouldn't change it.

Words on screen: Thank you

“Being a scholarship recipient has made me, I feel, more motivated, knowing that someone else has my back here. You know, we'll help you through it. Here's your guidelines. Get it done. Well, in my mind, that minimum guideline's not good enough. They're giving me this money, OK, we're going full fledge here. I'm going to do my best in every class. I'm going to accomplish my goals, and it's going to happen because it's paid for. The scholarship has made a tremendous difference in the way that I viewed things,
you know, thinking, ‘Hey, I have all this support, I have no excuses now.’

I speak for all the other students that we really, really appreciate your donations, and it really makes a difference in our lives. It allows us to focus on our career paths, our educational goals, and make a difference in our community.”

Words on Screen: Heartland Community College Foundation