



Student Success: Daniell

Learn and Earn to Achieve Potential (LEAP) Detroit

Prior to enrolling in the Jobs for Michigan's Graduates LEAP program, Daniell faced many obstacles in life. However, instead of letting those obstacles define her, Daniell used them as fuel to achieve her goals.

She received personalized support from her JMG-LEAP specialist, Jasmine, and she graduated from high school and enrolled in college.

Today, Daniell dreams of becoming a motivational speaker so that she can share her story of success with youth in foster care.

Barriers

- Was in foster care
- Was homeless
- Had dropped out of school
- Was a teen mom

Successes

- Completed an online high school diploma program in only 1.5 months
- Spoke at the National Youth Summit on Homelessness in Washington, D.C.
- Secured a full-time job with benefits
- Currently attends Wayne County Community College with plans to transfer to Wayne State
- Named the 2017 JMG "Alumna of the Year"

In her own words:

JMG/LEAP was one of the reasons I am where I am at now. My specialist, Jasmine, showed me that I can reach any goal that I want. Now I am in college pursuing my dream of becoming a motivational speaker.