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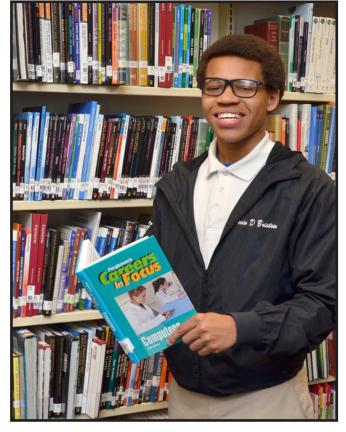
An Innovator Eager to Change the World

Devin Bristow

Devin Bristow is an inventive member of the Academy of Information Technology whose greatest pleasure is making something do something. He explains, "While engineers build the robot, we provide the robot with codes and instructions for how it should perform." This Paterson local is best known for his laser-like focus and his insatiable thirst for knowledge.

He's been interested in Computer Science since the 8th grade. Selecting PCTI as his high school of choice has allowed him to delve deeper into his interests. To say that Devin makes the most of every opportunity would be an understatement. This young man has enrolled in seven AP classes in order to expand his knowledge and will graduate from PCTI with a potential fifteen to twenty college credits. He ranks in the top eight percent of his class with a GPA of 4.0 and is a three-year varsity letter athlete who has received more than fifty medals! Devin has been involved in Football, Varsity Track and Field, Cross Country, and a host of clubs, including FBLA, National History Club, Engineering Club, Environmental Club, and so much more. In his free time, he is the acting CEO of his own company - Bristow Corps. - which seeks to expand the range of what people can design, create, and learn.

Devin is no stranger to receiving awards



for his service and academic excellence. Most notably, he had the distinct pleasure of being named a Bill Gates Millennium Scholar, making him one of one thousand students selected to receive this honor. The scholarship program will completely cover the cost of his college education.

Devin has been accepted to and will attend Pepperdine University in Malibu, California where he will pursue degrees in Computer Science/Mathematics with a minor in Psychology.

His ambition is to eventually receive a Master's degree in Mathematics and PhD's in Philosophy and Theology.

When asked how he plans on making an impact on the world in which he lives, Devin had this to say, "It's important to be eager to learn, but a lot of the time, it takes great teachers to confront and fix problems. To be willing to foster change, you have to be part of the solution." He continued, "Tech has been such a great experience for me. I want to pay it forward."

Besides receiving a quality post-secondary education, Devin will pursue mission work and will one day work towards receiving licensure as a Pastor/Reverend.

HIGHLIGHTS

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- Earned a potential 15-20 college credits
- Selected as Bill Gates Millennium Scholar
- Involved in Football, Varsity Track/Field, Cross Country, FBLA, National History Club, Engineering Club, Environmental Club, etc.
- Prior Circle of Success member
- Goal: Graduate from Pepperdine University with degrees in Computer Science/Math-ematics, receive Master's degree in Mathematics, and PhD's in Philosophy/Theology; become a missionary, eventually becoming a Pastor/Reverend