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ADONTE MORROW

SUCCESS STORY



Adonte joined the NextGen program at 19 years old while finishing his senior year at Pasquotank County High School. Despite facing the challenges of an intellectual disability, he remained focused and determined. On June 12, 2020, Adonte proudly received his Certificate of Completion — a milestone that marked the beginning of a promising journey.

Eager to build his skills and gain independence, Adonte enrolled in the Adult Basic Educational Transitional Opportunities (ABETO) program at College of the Albemarle. Through this program, he embraced every opportunity to learn and grow. He took part in a wide range of enriching experiences, including work experiences (WEX) at CB's Auto Tire & Service and Homestyle Bakery & Cafe, Career Center workshops, and HRD (Human Resource Development) classes with College of the Albemarle. Adonte also joined in on business and college tours, Adulting Days, virtual reality career exploration, and the Real World simulation event — each activity giving him a deeper understanding of the working world and adult responsibilities.

With the support of his Career Advisor, Adonte prepared for the next step: employment. He completed a job application for Chick-fil-A in Elizabeth City and practiced interview skills to build his confidence. His hard work paid off — after interviewing on October 17, 2024, Adonte was offered a part-time position as a dishwasher.

Today, Adonte is proudly employed and gaining real-world experience. His journey is a powerful example of how perseverance, support, and hands-on learning can help turn goals into reality. We're proud of Adonte and excited to see what he'll achieve next!

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