



Symuel Gaynor, an upcoming senior of River City Science Academy is one of eleven 2017 Summer Internship Program award recipients! Symuel aspires to become a computer engineer. With this in mind, Symuel was placed at Scratchwerk, LLC under the leadership of Ronnie King. Marvin Green also took pride in mentoring Symuel.

Here is what Mr. Green had to say about Symuel's experience, "Through the course of this internship, Symuel was introduced to many complex information technology concepts including: introduction to various hardware components, how to construct a PC, how to connect computers to printer and scanner IP addresses, how to troubleshoot & install printers and other peripheral devices, how to install and update drivers and software, how to setup desktops and how to utilize Java eclipse to make intermediate and complex systems and simple 64-bit games. Symuel was also shown the interworkings of a network closet.

Overall, Symuel adapted to the internship very well and we believe that he learned and gained a lot from working with us this summer! It was a pleasure working with Symuel and we wish him the best in his future endeavors!"

When asked his thoughts regarding his summer experience, Symuel responded, "Because I aspire to become a computer engineer, I was placed with Ronnie King, head boss and founder of Scratchwerk, LLC. However, Mr. King assigned me to work with one of his clients, Marvin Green, computer engineer at Agape Family Healthcare.

Oftentimes, IT specialists are perceived as people who have no social skills. During my internship experience, not only did I learn technical skills but I also learned the importance of verbal and written communications, interacting within a team environment and time management skills.

The summer internship program is designed for high school students to be mentored by experts in the student's desired career field. At the end of the experience, the student should know whether they are truly interested in pursuing a career in the field or whether they should take time to develop their 'Plan B.' My experience gave me a thorough understanding of the life of a computer engineer. Because of this program, I stand firm in my desire to continue to pursue the job of my dreams and I feel pretty confident that I will be successful."

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