## Larrae Wells



I am Larrae wells, a rising junior at Jean Ribault high school. During my internship experience, I learned how to become a business owner and explore and learn the benefits of having an online business. With the opportunity that Annieruth foundation has provide, I have learned more about adult life then school has every taught me. My whole internship was with Dr. V. Dunbar at The Center for Confidence. The role I played was online management.

Dr. V.'s main goal is to help Women Entrepreneurs build and sustain confidence to perform at their maximum capacity. While working under Dr. V, she taught life lessons and business do's and dont's. Her summer goal was to transition her business to an on-line marketplace, which involved creating a marketing plan to establish a line of action. This involved finding platforms on social media to advertise, using Canva to create eye-catching ads, and creating small goals for the business' profits. Having Dr. V. as my mentor was extremely valuable. She introduced me to other businesswomen who enlightened me and exposed me to other career fields so that I won't be included to jump from one idea/career field into another without having knowledge of the career field. One lesson that I'll always remember that came from Dr. V. is, "Always have multiple streams of income, so that if one business fails, you'll have other incomes to keep you afloat". I will remember that quote for a very long time, rather I become an entrepreneur or not. Being in her "7 figure Revenge Goals" class actually made me want to pursue my goal of strting a business in the 'hair' industry; specifically, I'd like to sell wigs, bundles, etc. (which would be an additional revenue stream as I pursue my ultimate goal of becoming an OBGYN).

Participating in the AnnieRuth Foundation's Summer Internship Program has prepared me for my future by helping me see what my future could fulfill and exposing me to many different career paths. The Summer Internship Program gave me exposure to a lot of opportunities that I would not have otherwise been exposed to and didn't take the opportunity for granted, and I am so grateful for that.