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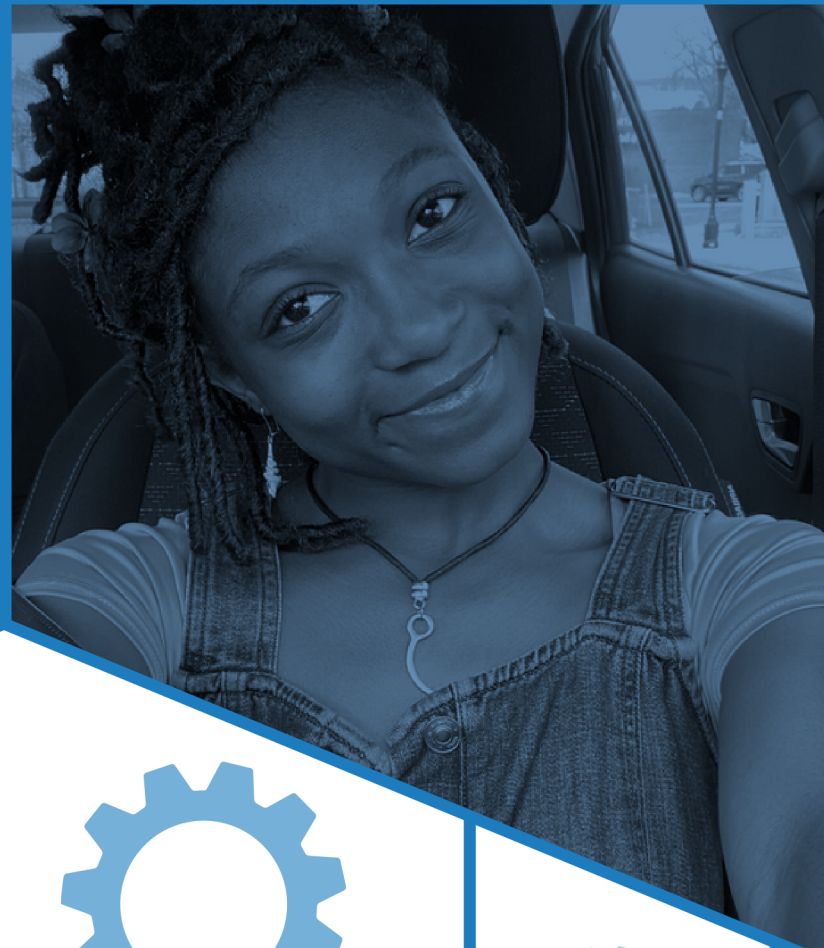
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How did you select your college major? What was the biggest influence?

My biggest influence was my uncle, he is retiring from the cyber security and technology departments in the Air Force. To me, science and technology gives me the satisfaction of knowing what I do will improve our society.

What advice would you share with K-12 students who are considering your major?

Take your time and always look for more than one solution. Things will always get tough, but don't forget to breathe.

What high school elective course do you wish you had taken to better prepare you for college?

I wish I had taken the programming courses.

When you aren't in class or studying, what can you be found doing in your spare time?

You can always find me in a cafe, with a warm tea or iced coffee. I'll be reading, sketching or playing the Sims 4.

What motivates you to get out of bed and go to class every day?

I find my motivation in the time I spend after productivity. After a long day in school, unwinding feels much more relaxing.

How do you or your major make a positive impact on society/our community?

As a computer engineer, the work I do is crucial to keeping our ever-advancing world flowing smoothly. A lot of the world's systems are made much easier when your computer works correctly.

What do you look forward to the most while being a STEM Ambassador?

I look forward to giving the students I interact with a reason to love science, technology, engineering, and math!

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