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Stilwell Senior Earns Amazon Future Engineer Scholarship

Amiri Jones Awarded a \$40,000 Scholarship & Paid Internship with Amazon

JONESBORO- Clayton County Public Schools is excited to announce that Amiri Jones, a senior at Martha Ellen Stilwell School of the Arts has been named a 2023 Amazon Future Engineer (AFE) Scholarship Recipient! Selected as one of 400 students across the country, Amiri, along with seven other students from neighboring school systems were informed of their selections today, April 18, 2023, in a surprise ceremony held at the Junior Achievement Discovery Center in Atlanta, Georgia! This surprise ceremony also featured a brief panel discussion, moderated by Mr. Kenny Burns - an entertainment industry executive and radio host, regarding the advancement in technology around computer coding and artificial intelligence. Amiri Jones plans to attend Hampton University in the Fall of 2023.

As an Amazon Future Engineer Scholarship recipient, each scholar receives \$40,000 over four years (10,000 annually) to study computer science or engineering at a college of their choice starting this fall, along with a paid internship at Amazon after their freshman year. The Amazon Future Engineer Scholarship program has awarded \$38 million in scholarships to 950 students from underserved and historically underrepresented communities across the U.S. since 2019.

“We are extremely proud of this bright scholar for earning this auspicious scholarship award to further his education as he prepares to graduate from Clayton County Public Schools,” said Dr. Anthony W. Smith, Interim Superintendent of Schools. “As we continue to build a better tomorrow, today, we are proud to have organizations such as Amazon to lend their support ensuring that students from various backgrounds are afforded similar opportunities,” he concluded.

Winners of the Amazon Future Engineer scholarship will also receive a guaranteed, paid 12-week summer internship at Amazon after completing their freshman year of college. While working at Amazon, AFE interns will work on a software or hardware engineering team and pair up with a co-intern, manager, and mentors to build projects that have a real impact on Amazon customers. Interns will get to work on some of Amazon’s groundbreaking technologies and core platforms, like Alexa voice technology, Amazon Web Services, and the Amazon retail platform.

For more information and scholarship criteria, please visit

<https://www.amazonfutureengineer.com/scholarships>

To access photos of the event, please visit:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1RlmuWCsexMSyfenGxMY8N1XNbI6NIUUh?usp=share_link

-An official document from the Clayton County Public School System-

About Clayton County Public Schools: Clayton County Public Schools (CCPS) is fully accredited by Cognia. The district offers a focused world-class program based on a challenging curriculum which is taught from pre-kindergarten through 12th grade. Serving over 50,000 students, Clayton County Public Schools is ranked among the 100 largest school districts in the U.S. and is the sixth-largest school system in Georgia.

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