

# THE McADAMS MEMO

Educating society's neglected kids

## Congratulations Marquese!

**What was your first impression of McAdams?**  
I was surprised how family-like the classroom environment was.

**How has McAdams helped you?**  
McAdams has given me the opportunity to graduate high school as well as gain new perspectives from others.

**How has McAdams helped you outside of academics?**  
McAdams has shown me not everyone in a bad situation is a bad kid and luckily McAdams is able to provide kids like them an excellent opportunity to still succeed.

**What made McAdams different?**  
The way the classrooms are set up was very foreign to me but I favored it because it was set up like we were one big family.

**What have you learned since coming to McAdams?**

I learned a lot about what financial decisions I will be making in the near future and how I should make those decisions in order to be as successful as possible.

**What would you tell other students coming to McAdams?**

One thing I'd tell all McAdams students is to learn to apply themselves to see how much they really can accomplish and ultimately get done in order to be successful.

*Marquese was with us for a short time and was determined to meet his goal of earning his high school diploma. We are proud of you Marquese!*



## Congratulations Tatum!

**What was your first impression of McAdams?**

I didn't like it. I never pictured myself in a school like McAdams. The environment feels like it's for bad kids. But the teachers make students feel normal. McAdams showed you other people's stories. It could always be worse.

**What has McAdams taught you outside of education/academics?**

They taught me about my business, jobs, and taught me about the real world.

**What is different about McAdams?**

I've never been to a school where the staff cares this much about the students, most of the staff treats us like their children.

**How does it feel to be graduating early?**

It feels good! I was always told that I was never going to graduate. Even as recent as a couple months ago I didn't have faith that I could graduate.

**What would you tell other students coming to McAdams?**

Just come here and get your schoolwork done. Other students may not be as focused but still do your work. Don't let others distract you. You can get done quick if you just focus.

**Any final thoughts?**

Everybody is always going to have something to say so just focus on you and don't let anyone bring you down.

*Anyone who knows Tatum knows how determined she is to succeed. We are proud of you, Tatum, and wish you the best!*



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Thank you Stew and Mary for hosting a fun Field Day for the students!



### OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Providing a safe place where vulnerable youth practice **academic, emotional, and spiritual** skills for thriving lives that affect families and communities.

### OUR VISION STATEMENT

Teaching youth to be successful in life, regardless of their circumstances.

## CAMP HIAWATHA

The more people learn about McAdams, the more they understand why our community needs McAdams. We are running out of space in our current facility and need to find a permanent home for our school. Currently, we have our sights set on Camp Hiawatha. Because of the buildings and living spaces, purchasing Camp Hiawatha will allow our five-year building program to become a two-year building program. We can start our residential and respite care programs almost immediately.

McAdams's philosophy of education includes the whole family. At times, this requires McAdams to provide a support system that provides personal and family counseling, understanding generational trauma, classes on parenting, building healthy relationships, and providing respite care for students. A campus concept allows McAdams to offer our community this multi-faceted approach to education.

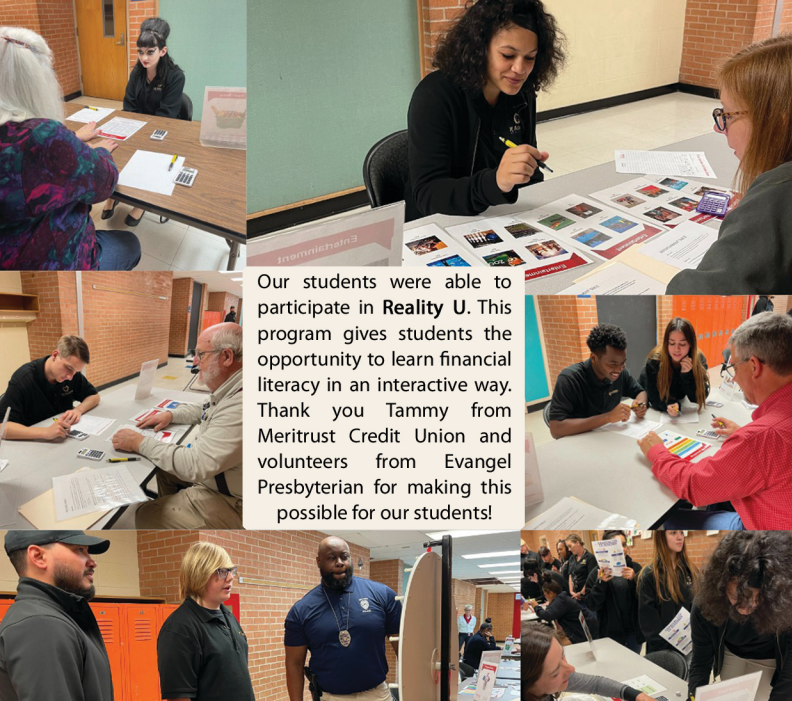
Please pray, be creative and let others know about our vision. Contact others who have a passion for helping kids or have the financial capacity to allow us to acquire the facility.

Prayerfully consider how you can be used to make this dream come true.

Thank you,  
Chuck



Final Thoughts from the Executive Director



Our students were able to participate in Reality U. This program gives students the opportunity to learn financial literacy in an interactive way. Thank you Tammy from Meritrust Credit Union and volunteers from Evangel Presbyterian for making this possible for our students!

One of our students had a financial need that would otherwise hinder their moving forward in life. Without any prodding, classmates came up with the idea to have a bake sale to help with the cost. This event was a huge success and has become the foundation for our **Student Benevolence Fund**. A huge "Thank You!" to everyone who baked, donated, and/or purchased these delicious treats!



**WOULD YOU PRAY WITH US SPECIFICALLY FOR A NEW BUILDING? THE NEED FOR A SCHOOL LIKE McADAMS IS GREAT AND RESOURCES AND FINANCES ARE LIMITED. BUT WE SERVE A GREAT GOD WHO IS ABLE TO DO MORE THAN WE CAN ASK OR IMAGINE (EPH. 3:20). WILL YOU ASK WITH US?**

Our programs help expelled youth and children in the foster care system from falling behind academically and address behavioral problems that often ruin their ability to complete their education. Every day we have opportunities to make life-changing interactions with our students. You can help us invest in their lives in the following ways:

### Pray!

Please pray for individual students in the program, their families, staff, and material needs for the ministry. We also have a prayer ministry! If you would like to receive our e-mailed prayer list, please contact us.

### Volunteer

**Tutoring, Mentoring, Cooking, Administration** - whatever you enjoy doing we have a place for you! Please give us a call or come visit us and see where you can help!

### Donate

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