



Siblings J.T. and Lana Evans Named MCM January Volunteers of the Month

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Siblings J.T. and Lana Evans have been named “Volunteers of the Month” for January at the Mississippi Children’s Museum (MCM).

J.T. is a ninth-grade student at Rosa Scott High School and in addition to volunteering, he is also a member of the Madison Central football and track teams, Beta Club, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and the Student Government Association (SGA). Older sister, Lana, is a sophomore at Madison Central High School and an active member of the SGA, as well as various sports and clubs.

Sharon Griffin, MCM’s Volunteer Coordinator, described both J.T. and Lana as being patient and kind to all children, always looking for opportunities to positively interact.

J.T. stood out as a volunteer when he assisted with our evening “Planting the Seeds to Read” events with JPS elementary age students. Griffin noted, “J.T. saw a young child who was upset and patiently worked with him one-on-one until he calmed down.” When later asked about the interaction, J.T. commented, “It was outside of my comfort zone because I had never dealt with a situation like that before, but I was glad I could help!” “New experiences like this are the reason volunteering is so important for our young people,” says Griffin. “Our student volunteers grow in ways they had never expected and find themselves trying new things!”

Both J.T. and Lana encourage other students to volunteer at MCM, because “volunteering is a great addition to your resume and presents opportunities to meet new people and make new friends.” MCM is honored to have both J.T. and Lana assisting us as volunteers and role models. To find out more about volunteering at the MCM, please visit our website at www.mschildrensmuseum.org.

About the Mississippi Children's Museum

The Mississippi Children's Museum (MCM) is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization that provides unparalleled experiences that ignite a thirst for discovery, knowledge, and learning in all children. MCM is dedicated to inspiring Mississippi's children from all backgrounds to discover and achieve their potential. The museum features 40,000 square feet of exhibit space designed around five primary initiatives: Literacy, STEM, Health and Nutrition, Cultural Arts, and Mississippi History. The museum's exhibits, programs, and outreach opportunities provide engaging, explorative, hands-on educational activities for children of all ages. To learn more about MCM visit www.mschildrensmuseum.org.

About The Jackson Junior League

The Junior League of Jackson is an organization of women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women and improving communities through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. The Junior League of Jackson is a charitable organization whose purpose is to improve the quality of life of those in our community. The Junior Auxiliary of Jackson was organized in 1927 by a small group of women who wanted to better their community. In January of 1941, the Junior League of Jackson was born. Today, the Junior League of Jackson is one of the larger Leagues in the Association of Junior Leagues International, with our membership numbering more than 2,300 Provisional, Active and Sustaining members.

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