



JSU Student Armon Clark Named MCM March Volunteer of the Month

MISSISSIPPI CHILDREN'S MUSEUM

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Jackson, Miss. – Jackson State University (JSU) senior Armon Clark was named the Mississippi Children's Museum's (MCM) Volunteer of the Month for March. Clark is just weeks away from graduating and has completed the number of volunteer hours JSU requires prior to graduating, but he continues to be a steadfast volunteer at MCM.

Sharon Griffin, MCM's Volunteer Coordinator and adjunct professor at JSU, recruits student volunteers on campus. An important step in her process is educating students on the role they can play in a children's museum, even if they are not pursuing a degree related to early childhood education. "Everyone can benefit from being a mentor, and seeing the joy on a child's face as they try something new," explained Griffin. "Some of our best volunteers are students studying fields where they won't necessarily be working one on one with children. Armon is a great example. His degree will be in Computer Science. He was not sure what to expect, but found that he had so much to share with the children including his great personality!"

"I fell in love with the many areas of MCM," said Clark upon hearing of his award. "I'll say that being a volunteer here [at MCM], with the great co-workers and the great families that attend the museum, makes this location a one of a kind experience for visitors and for volunteers! Volunteering with MCM is indescribable, as all the people I get to assist are the kindest, most hardworking people. They wished me the best in my education and career journey, and it meant so much to me. Also, I feel like I improved the experiences of families that visited the museum, from regulars to people visiting for the first time."

MCM wishes Clark much success as he moves into his new career with Lockheed Martin in Texas! For more information about volunteer opportunities at MCM please go to 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.

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