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Jeremiah Smith

Alum of Eleanor Roosevelt High School's - accelerated program, in Greenbelt, MD. He will be attending North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University in the Fall of 2021 to study electrical engineering.

Jeremiah's life motto is "Sometimes, just jump, there is always something at the other side of the void." From the beginning as a 3rd grader participating in the National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE) elementary school summer engineering program to serving as VP of his local NSBE Jr. chapter. In that role he was responsible for coaching and mentoring younger members in the exploration of STEM. He is a two-time Technical Innovations Challenge grand champion, as well as national champion in the TEN 80 Data Driven Design. In addition, his long-standing interest in STEM led him to compete and place in the top 3 at the NAACP ACT-SO competition in both physics and engineering two years in a row. Topping his academic career, he interned at the Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Lab in Laurel, Maryland developing test protocols for instruments onboard the NASA Europa Clipper.

Jeremiah Smith

Student. Leader.
Entrepreneur

While STEM is Jeremiah's passion and pedigree, he is also an entrepreneur. He has taken his passion for gaming to launch M8TRIXGames. His entrepreneurial drive and interest in the E-sports and Gaming industry earned Jeremiah an internship with a non-profit called Cxmmunity - increasing the participation of minorities within the esports and video game industry. As a part of his internship, he was the project manager for a gaming tournament, during Black History Month, to raise monies toward a \$3,000,000 goal to make computers available to students in inner city Atlanta and facilitate access to technology, the first step to bridging the STEM gap.

Jeremiah's goal is to bridge the gap between entrepreneurship and STEM, addressing the gap by connecting Black owned technology companies with the gaming ecosystem. His startup, BLKTIX, is focused on the development of consumer hardware, cryptocurrency and, game and content development. Jeremiah intends to continue to back to the NSBE, Boy Scouts of America and Cxm-munity, that have made him the student, leader and entrepreneur he is today.