

Michael Eure Show Podcast: Episode 65 – Celebrating Student Success

INTRODUCTION: This is Michael Eure, and I'd like to invite you to the Michael Eure Show, featuring student hosts and very special guests talking about a variety of interesting topics. You can find us on the Eagle Stream YouTube channel.

TAJ HEWITT: Hello, and welcome to this episode of the Michael Eure Show. Today, we'll be having some discussions about student success stories at Wake Tech. But before we go into any of that, I'd like to play a Care Center video from Wake Tech. So, Jerry, can you pull that out?

VIDEO: The Care Center is here to provide wrap-around services for our students for when out-of-the-classroom challenges arise. I'm Mike Coleman, dean of Student Engagement and Impact here at Wake Tech. My name is Magdalene Crist, and I'm a student at Wake Tech in the Associate of Science program. The Care Center at Wake Tech has been a great hub for resources, such as food, success coaching, technology support, brief mental health counseling, emergency financial assistance and transportation assistance. I've gotten a lot of great help with questions and just navigating Wake Tech. If I'm ever having a tough day or a tough time in class, the student success coaches are always there to help me whenever I need it. Students can connect with us by visiting one of our locations, online at our website or by email. So, to my fellow students, if you ever need help with anything, the Care Center is your one-stop shop, and I highly recommend. And most importantly, we are here to support our students and make sure that they soar.

HEWITT: OK, so my name is Taj Hewitt. I'll be the host for today, alongside Damien Johnson and Marjorie.

DAMIEN JOHNSON: Hello everyone.

HEWITT: Again, thank you for tuning in, and we'll get straight into it. So, first of all, I just wanna say, again, my name is Taj Hewitt. This is my last semester at Wake Tech. I've been the host for a while, as all all of you should know by now, and I'm gonna get straight into the success, success stories. So, Marjorie, you wanna start us off with that?

MARJORIE CHANAKIRA: All right.

HEWITT: Yeah, tell us about some good experiences you've had at Wake Tech.

CHANAKIRA: OK. Hi everyone, I'm Marjorie. I am a first-year student at Wake Tech. This is my second semester, and I am an international student, so doing an Associate in Engineering. I started out pretty well, and I have great classes. I have great professors and there are so many services that we get here. And I'm also part of a lot of things like National Society for Black Engineers. I am there, I'm a secretary. And I'm also part of the Wake Tech Honors Program. So, just get a good GPA, and you get that, you, people will look for you if you do well. And I'm, right now, I'm also aspiring to be part of the SGA [Student Government Association], so vote for me guys.

HEWITT: No, that's great. SGA, I can definitely recommend it, and I'm sure, continue doing what you're doing, and you'll find it a lot easier for you to make it into a two-year, to a four-year university. Sorry.

CHANKIRA: Yeah.

HEWITT: Right. So, as well today, we also have Kevin Wang and Athena Wang, who are not related, I think. Right. So, I'll start with Kevin. Kevin, could you just tell us some good experiences that, that you've had at Wake Tech?

KEVIN WANG: Sure. My name is Kevin Wang. I'm an engineering student here as well. I'm getting my Associate in Science and hoping to transfer to N.C. State in, this fall. Some successes that I've had here at Wake Tech are, I left my first college. I wasn't really a student that cared about school when I first attended, and I essentially withdrew without withdrawing. So, I got like all F's, but now I have a 4.0 so far, after four semesters, or after three semesters here at Wake Tech. The ILC [Individualized Learning Center] tutors have been great for me. My teachers have been great. I have friends on campus, and I even performed at an event here at Wake Tech. So, I've had a good time.

HEWITT: Yeah, I like how you say you're performing because I'm not, a lot of people may not think that Wake Tech has things that students can perform in, but Wake Tech does, you know. That was Wake Tech Idol, right?

KEVIN WANG: There was Wake Tech Idol as well as storytelling through hip-hop. So, there's a lot of events that go on here.

HEWITT: Right, right. Well, thank you for that, Kev. Athena, you wanna share some of your Wake Take experiences?

ATHENA WANG: Sure, sure. Hi everybody. My name is Athena, and I'm originally from China, and I immigrated here, like, seven years ago. And this is my fourth year at Wake Tech. Before Wake Tech, I was twice entrepreneur, and came, after came to Wake Tech, I started with AA [Associate in Arts] degree focused on philosophy and economics. And after that, I started AS [Associate in Science] degree that's mathematics and astrophysics based. And now I'm in associate, an AE degree, which is engineering degree, and focus, with focus on machine learning and information science. And I just get accepted into Columbia University after four years hard-working Wake Tech and use all the resources here. And reason invited here is because of the CC high-altitude balloon, and I'm the co-lead in the team with DIA. She's gonna be speak to you guys later on, and she's a guest here, too. And that's the reason I'm being here, and I have a lot of resources experience and would like to share with you guys if you are ambitious student and want to go Ivy League school.

HEWITT: All right. Thank you for that, Athena. I think there's a common theme among all of us, talking about the amount of resources that Wake Tech has.

ATHENA WANG: Yeah.

HEWITT: I just wanna highlight that a bit because, you know, I feel like, if you utilize Wake Tech's resources, then it's very easy to be successful at Wake Tech.

ANTHENA WANG: Indeed.

HEWITT: But anyways, you want to share some experiences that you've had.

DAMIEN JOHNSON: That I've had? Sure.

HEWITT: Yeah.

JOHNSON: I can talk about some of the things that's happened to me since I've been here. It's been so much, and I've only been here for about two semesters or so. But I have gotten my first internship, which is, which you guys will see later on, is called the START internship. I've been working on it for the last few months right now, and it has just been the most amazing thing. But I can contribute a lot of my success to START and a lot of my success in class to, like everybody else is saying, all these resources that we have at Wake Tech, especially the ILC, a STEM center, stuff like that. Going to those and utilizing them has really made me be able to reach out and even be a co-host

on here, stuff like that. You just kind of meet people, and doors open for you at Wake Tech. It's always open, so I feel like anything is possible here. It's awesome.

HEWITT: Thank you. Definitely, and in light of all of that, I mean, what we're gonna move to next is just playing a video highlighting Wake Tech's Associate in Engineering program. It's a very popular program, program at Wake Tech, and I feel like a lot of people need to be more informed about what exactly the program is. So, Jerry?

VIDEO: It's no surprise that many leaders start their careers in engineering. Engineers are curious, creative and methodical, like problem-solvers and thinkers, and they work in biotechnology, construction and everything in between. With an Associate in Engineering degree from Wake Tech, you're on your way to a career in engineering, computer science or other professional fields that count on a strong background in math and science. Our program is designed to be a practical start for students who are interested in furthering their education at one of the many four-year universities in North Carolina and beyond. We've developed advising tools that are personalized and specific. So, you can develop a plan that takes you from aspiration to achievement. With on-campus, online and hybrid programs available, it's never been easier to discover your future at Wake Tech.

HEWITT: That was the Associate in Engineering program from Wake Tech. If there's any students that are aspiring to come to Wake Tech and you feel like Associate in Engineering is for you, then I hope that video helped.

But we are gonna be bringing in some more people now, and, unfortunately, we're gonna have to say goodbye to Marjorie. But thank you, Marjorie.

JOHNSON: I would say thank you all for being here. Thank you all for coming and telling us your success stories and such. It was great listening to you guys, and we wish you plenty more success along the way.

CHANAKIRA: Thank you so much for hosting us.

HEWITT: Yeah.

JOHNSON: Yeah.

KEVIN WANG: Appreciate your time.

CHANAKIRA: Until next time.

JOHNSON: All right, let's go ahead and get, right, all right, cool. But success and stuff like that, I mean, I haven't really, I haven't been here for a long, but I feel like so much has just kind of happened to me. You know, other than just the internship, it's like there's some things that I want to do over the summer as well, and I think I can only do that by, you know, obviously being at Wake Tech and utilizing, even the teachers, they're great. Always happy.

HEWITT: I remember, in my first semester, I was at the, actually was my second semesters, I was at a conference, and they spoke about taking opportunities, that you never know what opportunity will lead to a next.

JOHNSON: Awesome.

HEWITT: Hey guys, how are you?

JOHNSON: How are y'all?

DIYA BHAVSAR: Hey, good. How are you?

JOHNSON: Good, thank you. Are we waiting for a few more? Oh, I think this will be good. No? OK, cool. Hi, Austin.

HEWITT: All right. Damien?

JOHNSON: Yeah. I guess, well, why we sit here, you guys can go and tell us about some of the success stories that you had. Any, you know, success that you've had at Wake Tech, things that you have moved forward. Let's start off with Glory.

GLORY C.: Hi, my name is Glory, and I'm a first-year student here at Wake Tech, and I'm majoring in computer science. A recent success that I've had during my last two semesters would be starting my own peer-led study group for my math class. I know that a lot of people on Wake Tech's campus just wanna kind of, like, go to class and, you know, go home. But I realized that I really just crave that human connection, and I knew that, by starting that study group, I would have that. And not only, I wanted not only that human connection, but I also wanted to, I guess, utilize that study group to, use it as a study group and improve my grades. And that has actually happened not only myself, but also my peers in the study group. We have received, like, higher, significantly higher test scores than the first math test that we took before the study group was established.

Another one of my successes here at Wake Tech has been me being a part of the START internship program, and in my first semester, I actually was able to present my research to the director of the National Science Foundation, Dr. Sethuraman [Panchanathan], as well as a common, North Carolina Congresswoman Deborah Ross. So, there really is no limit to what you can do here at Wake Tech, even if you're just a first-semester student.

JOHNSON: Awesome. Thank you so much, and that sounds amazing. It sounds like with collaboration and such, you can definitely get a lot more accomplished. And I think that's something people know inertly, but they don't really capitalize on. And I'm glad that you're capitalizing on it and, you know, showing that to other people. So, thank you, Glory.

HEWITT: Glory, I actually have a question for you. You said it's your first year, right?

GLORY: Yes.

HEWITT: You did the START program in last semester?

GLORY: Yes, my first semester.

HEWITT: Oh, wow.

JOHNSON: That's impressive. I, I'll ask you questions later, but that's impressive. Yeah, Diya, go ahead.

BHAVSAR: So, hey, everyone, I am Diya Bhavsar, and I am doing Associate in Engineering and Associate in Science here at Wake Tech. This is my last semester, and I'm planning to transfer to a four-year university to get my bachelor's in computer science. So, I was a, I was co-lead along with Athena, who do you all just talked to, of Team Volant, participating in this year's altitude balloon competition, sponsored and organized by North Carolina Space Grant. So, for the project we had to travel to Hickory, and I just want to say that Wake Tech has been so resourceful for, like, helping us for the project as, as well as school.

JOHNSON: Wow. Well, you guys heard it. Thank you. Thank you so much. I'm trying to see, I guess, what else we'll have. Taj, do you have, Ta, I don't think you've actually spoken. What about your success stories?

HEWITT: We'll talk about that later, but I have some more questions for Diya. You said you worked alongside Athena, so, I mean, how was that?

BHAVSAR: It was ...

HEWITT: Yeah. I just wanted to say, was there any difficulties? I mean, I know she's from China and you're from India, I presume.

BHAVSAR: Umm-hmm.

HEWITT: So, was there any difficulties with language barrier or maybe, I don't know, how you guys operated?

BHAVSAR: So, I just want to start with saying that Athena is a very, like, dedicated, dedicated person, and she took over the co-lead position for our team, and she was handling the non-tech part, as in, like, the outreach and stuff, and I was handling the technical part. And we did not really have any language barriers, as we always communicated efficiently.

HEWITT: Good.

JOHNSON: In terms of, I guess, like technical barriers, did you really encounter a lot? Like tell us, like, the engineering perspective of this whole thing. Because I'm sure that's what people who are going to wanna join and do this stuff, they're gonna wanna know, like, how it really works day to day.

BHAVSAR: Oh, yes, yes. Absolutely. So, we had our team, with everyone in charge of different technical things. I was in charge of getting the radios and the GPS transmitters and trackers, along with the having a cut-down mechanism for our payload. And in technical terms, everyone has been really supportive, and everyone has worked very hard. We were fortunate to have a, a, such a good team of students from Wake Tech who have always worked really hard for the, for the team. And also I want to mention that the professors from Wake Tech have also been very helpful whenever we needed them, especially for the project, for technical difficulties.

JOHNSON: Well, that's great. Thank you so much. Thank you so much, Diya. Hopefully, hopefully people actually end up getting into that. Make sure you guys drop questions in the comments as well. And we should have some new guests joining us pretty soon. But Glory, while you're still here, I would like to ask you really quickly how did you manage to do that your first semester?

HEWITT: Yeah.

JOHNSON: You have the same question?

HEWITT: Right.

JOHNSON: How did you manage it in your first semester?

GLORY: Well, before, like when I was, like, applying for Wake Tech, I was kind of snooping around, like, the website looking for opportunities. And I saw that, like, I already know in the back of my mind that a lot of people don't really take advantage of the opportunities that are offered here at Wake Tech. So, I saw the START internship page, and I looked through, and I was like, "This is something that could really be a useful experience for me." And there, I saw that there was no GPA requirement. There was no, I guess, year requirement or semester requirement. I was like, "You know what? Let's take a shot at it." And I got accepted. And I think I, I, I think freshman year, like that first semester, is really just a semester in which, I mean, of course, it depends on like what classes you're taking, but I knew, for me at least, it would have like, I guess, the least amount of pressure in terms of trying to balance the school and work and other obligations. So, I was like, I can really hone in and decide if undergraduate research is right for me at this particular time, and it was.

JOHNSON: That's great. Wow. Well, that's, I think that's a big lesson for everybody because a lot of people probably don't even know right now that Wake Tech has some scholarships that are going out that you can apply for. And as you said, you only know that people don't usually take, take, take all the opportunities that we have here. So, make sure you guys are always out there, out there looking and swiping up what's been given and put on the plates. But thank you guys so much for coming. We have some more success stories to tell pretty soon, once we get our next guests in here. But thank you guys so much.

HEWITT: Thank you guys.

BHAVSAR: Thank you. Great talking to you.

GLORY: Thanks.

JOHNSON: Of course, of course. And we should have possibly another Ignite video as well, but that may be after or before.

HEWITT: All right. We should be getting the new people now. We should be having Austin Medlin and Daniel Murray coming in. How are you?

JOHNSON: Hi guys.

HEWITT: Also Luke.

JOHNSON: Luke, yeah.

HEWITT: And Kevin. Hey, Kev.

JOHNSON: Cool. Full house.

HEWITT: Yeah.

JOHNSON: All right, well, who do you wanna start with? I guess we can go from, for me, it's top to right, so let's go with Daniel. You wanna tell us something about your success stories, man, that you've had?

DANIEL MURRAY: Sure. Can you hear me?

JOHNSON: Yeah, we can.

MURRAY: Great. So, my name is Daniel. So, I'm a student veteran, and I'm over here from the Marine Corps. And I'm set the graduate here and transfer to UNC-W this fall with my Associate in Arts, and I'm gonna study filmmaking and business there. So, within Wake Tech, I've been working as a work-study at the ILC, and I think I owe them a lot of my success because I've been able to use their resources. Basically, I've had their resources at my fingertips. So, that's helped me maintain my 4.0 GPA and be able to also put myself out there because I'm helping all these students that are coming in through the ILC, and I can kind of talk to them, give them my own advice.

HEWITT: Well, yeah, I agree. My first semester with, the first year I would say, actually, I used the ILC a lot because it just made so much sense. I was kind of confused with my classes. I mean, I came from Jamaica, so I had to adjust to the school system. So, I feel like the ILC, like you said, that it really helped a lot.

JOHNSON: Yeah, and I completely agree. Like it's, it's one of the main reasons for how you can maintain your grade even when the classes are getting really difficult. Don't be

afraid to, you know, go to office hours. Spend a little bit extra time in there, and it's gonna pay off. And I think you're a great example of that, Daniel, so thank you. Looks like Austin's outside. Austin, would you like to go ahead?

AUSTIN MEDLIN: Sure. Can you all hear me?

JOHNSON: Yeah. Yeah, we can.

HEWITT: Yeah, nice background.

MEDLIN: OK. So, my name is Austin. I've been at Wake Tech for two full years now. I'm double majoring in the Associate in Science and Associate in Arts to transfer to N.C. State to double major in mathematics and statistics to become an actuary when I grow up. Through this process, I have been members of the Pi Theta Kappa Society, the National Success and Leadership Society, the Honors Program, the Sigma Alpha Delta Society, and I'm also part of the SGA, as a senator for Wake Tech Community College.

Through this, I also balance my farm life with my school life because I, I live on the farm, and my family has a corn maze-type business, kind of like Hillridge, Hillridge Farms. We, we have an eight-acre corn maze with five acres of pumpkins that we open during the, September and October of every year for the public to, for them to enjoy.

JOHNSON: Awesome. So, thank you, man. I actually have a question for you. Can you tell me a little bit more about some of those societies that you're in, some of the organizations? And just let you guys know that all the links and the places that we've mentioned will be dropped in the chat. So, make sure you guys are still checking those out. But yeah, just, so I guess, about the first society that you had mentioned.

MEDLIN: Yeah, for sure. So first, since I mentioned was the Pi Theta Kappa Society, and that was a society recognizing my academic standards, like the GPA, the high GPA. The next was the National Success and Leadership Society, that I'm actually wearing the shirt right now. I'll go for it. That society helps me increase my leadership skills and role skills for future projects, future presentations, future speeches throughout my college career and even in the workforce. I also am in the Honors Program, which also recognizes the high GPA requirements and helps us get more in depth within our classes to get the honors credit. We have to do an honors project with one of our classes that transfers as a transferable credit. So, yeah, and then like the Sigma Alpha Delta Society is like an English honors society. So, we focus on the English aspect of schooling, and we also do tutoring for our lower-level schools, for like middle schools and high schools like that.

JOHNSON: Awesome.

MEDLIN: Well, yeah.

JOHNSON: Thank you so much, Austin. We appreciate it.

HEWITT: Wow. So many things, Austin, as I know. But yeah, I'm sure you when you go to State, you'll do more big things. Luke, you wanna share some of your experiences?

LUKE DUNNE: Hi. So, my name is Luke, and I'm a first-year student planning on transferring to N.C. State for engineering. And over the first semester, I participated in the Wake Tech men's soccer team, and I did, I took, my favorite memory was doing, in Intro to Engineering, we did a nice egg-drop project, which was really fun working with the group. And then I made sure, yeah, I used the ILC a couple times for almost everyone in my English essays. You have to use it. It was actually a huge help. I definitely saved my grade because of it. And I also earned a spot on the President's List for first semester. And then, this second semester, I started the chess club with my guidance counselor. My success coach, Mr. Eure, he's been a huge help. He's been great. And then, I've just submitted my applications, and right now, I'm waiting for the responses.

HEWITT: Excellent.

JOHNSON: Lots of things getting done. Lots of accomplishments. It seems like you're utilizing what you, what's been given to you, for sure.

DUNNE: Yeah, I love all my teachers as well. They have been great.

JOHNSON: Yeah, I know. Right? Yeah, for sure.

HEWITT: A little theme that keeps recurring during this entire show is everyone keeps reiterating the amount of resources that Wake Tech has. It's, it's just, it's good that we have so many people actually using them.

JOHNSON: Yeah.

HEWITT: Yeah. Kevin, how are you, man?

KEVIN REZA VILLA: I'm doing great. Doing great. Thank you for having me. My name is Kevin Reza Villa, for those of you who don't know me, and I'm going for my Associate in Science and planning to transfer to N.C. State for microbiology. And I guess the biggest thing that has helped me out here in my journey at Wake Tech has probably been the START program. And I know some of y'all may be familiar with the START program. Glory just talked about it, and I'm, I know Damien, you're in it as well. But the START program for me is like the light of my life, my biggest life-changer.

For me, when I first started at Wake Tech, it was in the middle of the pandemic during 2020. You know, in 2020, when the pandemic hit, everything kind of went downhill, and, at that moment, I thought I was gonna go to Notre Dame for political science. But then, you know, because everything was going downhill, my mental health kind of went downhill and I just was lost and chose not to go. And I ended up coming here to Wake Tech to try to figure out what I wanted to do, and at first, I'll be honest, I struggled because everything was online. We had a lack of hands-on experience, a lack of face-to-face interaction. I just wasn't liking my experience, but shout out to my friend, my old engineering professor, Professor Noel, who told me to go out there and start looking for a shadow, job shadowing opportunities and internships. Because if it wasn't for that, I wouldn't have found the START internship.

And honestly, the START start internship has been life-changing because I went from someone who was really doubting himself, who was on the verge of dropping out, and you know, for me, I'm a first-generation college student. All I've known my entire life is kind of just construction and dry cleaning, so a career in STEM has been really, really intimidating to try to tackle on my own. But the START program has just made it so easy to get, get started in. And it's a big part to my mentor, Dr. Nunes, and the, I guess the director of the program, Dr., Dr. Swanik, and they've just been able to make everything fluid, because I know I was just lost. I went from being lost to knowing where do I wanna go, knowing what I wanna do and knowing how I'm gonna get there. And that's just something that has been incredible.

And, you know, just, that's just my story, but I know that many more people out there who have been able to go out there and put themselves out there and being able to find themselves through this program. I mean, you know, Glory's like an example. Damien, you're here. I know some of you may have heard of Kennedy Williams, who has been very into, very interested in the START program as long, as long as the Wake Invests in Women. I mean, it's just, I think that's just a prime example of how much START has been uplifting it's interns. Not just me, but all of its interns in general. But yeah.

JOHNSON: Yeah, and kind of, sorry, I muted myself. But to go off what you said, it's a completely great opportunity, for sure. What you guys just saw was the START, the START Showcase. It's coming up and it's, it's called the START Symposium, where we basically go and we'll have an entire presentation museum that you can kind of walk through. It's gonna be really awesome. I'm gonna be presenting my research, so you guys might see me there. Kevin, you'll also be presenting your research, so you'll see him there, too. But, and Marjorie possibly, but we're gonna be having a huge walk-through of basically everybody, all the things that we did.

I specifically worked on Polaroid films, dichroic materials and polarization. But I'm sure Kevin, Kevin, what did you work on?

REZA VILLA: My, my, I'm currently in ambassador, but back when I was an intern, it was back in fall of 2021, so it was actually before we started getting paid. So, I've been there for a while, but when I first started, I was looking for an affordable alternative antibiotic powder by using antimicrobial disks. And I know that's a lot of jargon, but to simplify what that is, you know, on the school, it has these pill-sized bottles of antibiotic powder and it's, you know, really expensive. It has a short shelf life for the amount that we use, and, you know, we only use a quarter, so it's not really cost-efficient. So, you know, my project was finding a, you know, affordable alternative. And the affordable alternative we came up with, along with my mentor, was antimicrobial discs, and basically, what that is, is a tiny piece of paper, probably the size of that hole. You, it's really small [indecipherable] you can see. But yeah, basically that little tiny piece of paper has medicine infused in it, and my project concentrated on a reliable way of extracting that medicine and measuring how much we extracted so we could use it in, you know, real-world assays and, you know, to make, I guess, and about antibiotic resistance awareness more accessible because, you know, antibiotics, antibiotics are expensive in general. So, you know, being able to make it more affordable at labs, and not just labs where interns work, but also labs where students are at. And, you know, I guess, education-wise it's a big privilege that I was able to have, and, and it was an honor being able to work on that project because I've learned a lot about myself.

JOHNSON: Yeah. Thank you so much, Kevin. I think I can definitely agree with you on everything. Well, we're just about to reach the end of our show, I guess. Are there any closing statements that any of you guys would like to add, that you guys would like to, you know, end up saying?

REZA VILLA: I'm a START ambassador, so I'm out here and, you know, everyone, actually, I would encourage y'all to, to look into the START program and consider applying. The website pretty much says everything that we have, from geology to

microbiologists to data analysis. We have a lot of internships available. We have a lot of spots available, and application is meant so we can get as many people as possible to apply because we want everyone to have a chance to be able to experience this and be able to, you know, witness them for what it really is, not just what it is in the books. But yeah.

JOHNSON: Awesome. Thank you.

MURRAY: Aure, I'll add one more thing. I just, my own advice to anybody would just to be to use your resources. You know, the ILC, the REAL Center, basically got me with the grades I have today. So, super-thankful for that. But, yeah, anywhere you go, just use your resources, and you'll be successful. There's no shame in getting help.

JOHNSON: 100 percent. Thank you.

HEWITT: Right before we close, we are gonna play a short clip from Wake Tech Ignite that I was a part of. So, Jerry, you could go ahead when you're ready.

VIDEO: Since last year, so many positive things have happened that your community college. A community that gives Wake Tech opportunities and avenues to stretch, grow and reach. Wake Tech has really built a unique culture where they provide students like me with opportunities to grow inside and outside.

HEWITT: There you go. That was just a short clip from an event that happened early in March, and I was a, a part of it, so I'm thankful for that. So, but, but unfortunately, we are coming to an end of this show. I thank everyone that came on today, everyone that came and left. Like, like I said, again, if you guys have anything else to say, now's the time to say it.

JOHNSON: I mean, I will just say, like everybody else has been saying, man, use your resources. There's, there's too much out there. There's too many opportunities, too many doors being held open for us right now. I think anybody who wants it could definitely go get it. And it, it's gonna be intimidating at first. It always is, but we, we brought these people up here to show us that we went through intimidating doors and we came out fine and that we, we had some great successes for it. So, just it's definitely worth it.

But we wanna take the Engineering Care Team and, of course, the DEI Council for sponsoring today's video on, of course, our entire show. Other than that, there's no

more closing statements, so, if you guys have any questions or comments, you can drop them in the chat. But other than that, thank you all for being here so much.