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BRIKEA SHERROD

... CAREER-TECH HONOR STUDENT
... FUTURE EDUCATOR
... MICHIGAN CITY SUCCESS STORY

This recent Michigan City High School grad was named 2019 Career and Technical Education Student of the Year.

PASSION FOR TEACHING: Brikea Sherrod graduated this month from MCHS with technical honors. A student of the the Education Professions program at the A.K. Smith Career Center, she plans to become an elementary school teacher. “I love little kids, and I want to teach them in the way I was brought up by my mom. She’s my inspiration.”

ROLE MODELS: Brikea says teachers like Jennifer Goss (Education Professions) and Brian Parker (Math) also inspired her to pursue a career in education. “I had teachers who cared about me, helped me when I needed it, and encouraged me to believe in myself.”

ON THE GO: In addition to acing most of her classes senior year, Brikea also competed on the MCHS gymnastics, cross country, and track teams. Plus, she participated in theater and marching band color guard. “I wanted to push myself and try new things. I like to stay busy, and I like meeting new people.”

BIG PLANS: Brikea will attend I. U. South Bend in the fall, and she’s contemplating joining the U.S. Air Force. Her innovation and education goals earned her the Tej Ram Gupta Scholarship awarded by the Center for Creative Solutions.

SECRET TO SUCCESS: “When I’m going through something difficult, I tell myself, ‘You’ve got this, Brikea. Don’t let anyone tell you ‘you can’t.’”



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