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TigerLIFE Snapshots



Top left: TigerLIFE students working at the Android device table (photo to the left) explore accessibility options on their smart phones during the first in a series of lessons on assistive technology.

Top right: TigerLIFE students move on to further exploration after visiting the campus postal station on March 29, 2017.



Bottom left: Ms. Brasfield's class goes to the laundromat as part of their Independent Living for Community Inclusion lab.



Bottom right: While in Ball Hall to talk with another group of TigerLIFE students, Jazmine Harris (completed TigerLIFE in 2016) dropped by Mr. Hayman's class to share her inspiring story of determination and persistence. Her parents were told that she would never walk, and never talk. Of course, Jazmine does a lot of both! After sharing her story, Jazmine took questions from students for nearly an hour. Highlights of her encouragement to TigerLIFE students: 1) work hard, never quit, 2) never let your disability define who you are, 3) have goals for your life, and then put together plans to help you reach your goals, and 4) take advantage of your time in TigerLIFE to better yourself. (There weren't many dry eyes in the room when Jazmine finished!)



The Community



The closing ceremony for Black History Month was the place to be for our Community Exploration class. Members of the Memphis State Eight were honored for pioneering desegregation at the University in 1959. Superintendent Hopkins gave the keynote speech and TigerLIFE students had the opportunity to meet and talk with the Superintendent and the Memphis State Eight. Exciting for all!

Students soaked up a little history and culture at the Egyptian Gallery at the Institute of Egyptian Art and Archaeology where they saw mummies and ancient Egyptian artifacts. Our students never tired of saying, "Hey, look at this!"

IMPORTANT DATES:



- April 25th, TigerLIFE Goes to the Lichterman Nature Center (call 901-678-4303)
- April 26th, TigerLIFE visits the National Civil Rights Museum (call 901-678-4303)
- Exams April 27th and April 28th (unless instructors have indicated another day for their exams)
- **Civil Rights** May 11th, 10 am to Noon is rehearsal for seniors completing the program this semester
 - May 13th, 10 am to Noon is the Completion Ceremony at the Fogelman Executive Center

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The mission of TigerLIFE is to use a systematic approach to assess each student's academic, career, technical, independent living, and social skills in order to help them devise the best plan that optimally matches their goals and aspirations for transition into gainful employment and living a more independent and meaningful life.

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