

ADULT LEARNER SUCCESS STORY

Scott Boswell | Kansas



Adult education helped Scott become the role model he always wanted to be for his kids. After dropping out of school in 8th grade, Scott became homeless. For years he could not figure out how to turn his life around. When he met his wife, everything changed. After they had children, Scott knew in order to be a positive role model for his kids, he needed to return to school and earn his high school diploma.

Scott enrolled in classes at Johnson County Adult Education (JCAE). From the first day of class, Scott was an exceptional student. He immediately requested as much work as possible. He studied hard in class, took extra work home, and always completed his assignments online. This was no small feat, given he worked full-time at FedEx, while being a father and a husband supporting his family. All of his hard work paid off, and later that summer Scott passed all four sections of his GED exam.

Since graduating, Scott has come back to talk to new JCAE GED students about his experience and encourage them to continue working toward their goals. He enrolled at Johnson County Community College (JCCC) for the Fall 2021 semester. He is now entering his third semester, and has decided to major in Computer Science. Scott also spoke at the May 2022 JCAE GED Graduation ceremony, to share his inspiring story to others just like him. He hopes to pursue a career in web development after he graduates in Spring of 2023. Today, he knows his children will look at him as the positive role model he had always wanted to be. ■

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