

## Returning to Learning Changes Lives

There are several reasons why I considered returning to school. It seemed that I was spinning my wheels in one spot, and I was in a major rut in my life. I knew if I went back to school, my life would only get better for me.

I started this journey by talking to an employment counsellor to hear my options, and we decided that taking my GED should be my first goal. This is how I ended up in Mrs. Kelly Coleman's GED class. By having Kelly in my corner, has made this experience comfortable as it has been. She is a great teacher and has tons of patience especially when it comes to math.

Taking my GED has been one of, if not the best decision that I've made in a very long time. I needed a boost you might say, and I got everything I needed at my OFN GED class. My confidence level has increased dramatically and just knowing I'm smarter than I thought, makes me feel good about myself. Getting to refresh all the skills that I thought I lost is a great accomplishment

My goals for myself have changed drastically since I started in the GED class. More and more doors will open for me as I get more education. Now that I am very close to completing my GED, the career I want to have has also changed. I was going to take the long haul truck driving course, but due to some medication that I am on, I have decided to take a trade. I am thinking about taking the plumbing, electrical or carpentry course. Going to NBCC would not be possible for me without taking my GED.

I have to thank my teacher, Mrs. Kelly Coleman, or I'd have never gotten this far. She's a fantastic teacher, friend and all around good person. She really cares about all her students and goes the extra mile for each of them.

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