

2027 SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Truman High School



Q&A with Samuel Awusi



1. What is your favorite thing about being a Truman Tiger?

My favorite thing about being a Truman Tiger is the community. This school's community has a lot of people from differing backgrounds who each bring their own unique perspective to the school, and being able to interact with these people gives me another point of view to look at things from.

2. What does it mean to you to serve as the Senior Class President?

To me, serving as Senior Class President means being both communicative and proactive. As Senior Class President, you have to be able to talk with other presidents both inside and outside the school to generate ideas. Additionally, you have to be able to talk to the school's staff/principals in order to get anything done. Lastly, you have to be proactive, as if anything goes wrong, they will look at you for an alternative path.

3. What other activities are you involved in inside or outside of Truman?

I am involved in VOICE, cross-country, track and field, DECA, National Honor Society, and varsity club.

4. What motivates you to take AP and Honors classes?

I take AP and Honors classes because they are either interesting to me, or because of the difficulty of the class. I like things that push me to try harder, so I try to take as many hard classes as I can handle. Sometimes I bite a little more than I can chew, but if a class is captivating enough, it makes up for the rigor of the course.

5. What is your favorite class at Truman, and why?

I would say my favorite class at Truman was AP Physics 1 because the class was challenging while also being enjoyable and intriguing. Plus, Mr. Wright was an amazing teacher, and a lot of my friends were in the class, so there was never a dry moment.

6. Who is a teacher, coach, or staff member who inspires you, and why?

A teacher, coach, and staff member that has inspired me throughout my years at Truman are Mr. Mirarchi, Coach P., and Ms. Bodnar. Ever since my freshman year, Mr. Mirarchi helped me see how good this school can be if you use its resources to its fullest. Coach P., my cross country and track

coach, has helped me push past what I previously thought were my limits, and Ms. Bodnar has always been there for me and my family. She was my mother's guidance counselor, my cousin's, my sister's, and mine. Additionally, anytime I have a question on anything, she's always there to clear up my confusion. Without all of these people, I probably wouldn't be where I am today, so I am very thankful for their inspiration.

7. What are you looking forward to in your senior year?

I am looking forward to the end of the school year, where all my classes are winding down, and me and my friends are just enjoying the few weeks/months of our senior year.

8. What do you plan to pursue after graduation?

After graduating, I definitely want to go to college, but I'm still deciding if I want to go for something related to business or engineering. If I go down a business path, I would try to become an actuary (risk analysis), and if I went down the path of an engineer, I would try to become an aeronautical engineer.

9. Anything else you'd like to share with the BTSD community?

Keep a lookout for what the other presidents and I are gonna do next.



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