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STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

VISIONS OF SUCCESS - EVELYN JONES

Evelyn Jones is a junior at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro studying Public Health and Human Development & Family Studies. After graduation, Evelyn plans on attending graduate school for Public Health.



At the Student Support Services, 42nd Annual Awards Event, held on April 18, 2012, Evelyn shared her Success Story with her fellow SSS students, SSS Staff, the Associate Dean of Undergraduate Studies, and Chancellor Linda Brady.

Her Success Story reads: “I became a part of the SSS program as a sophomore. Before coming in to the program, I was an average student drifting like a cloud because I had no guidance and because I was so overwhelmed with all of the new changes I was going through: being away from home, being at a new school, and trying to understand what my professors expected of me. I had not yet found the resources that I needed to aid me in my successes here at UNCG.

When I first joined SSS, my progress was slow and it seemed as though I wasn’t going as fast as I thought I should, but as I stand before you this evening, I am my own vision of success: a mature, self-aware, young woman who is an independent learner, a hard worker,

extremely organized, and not afraid to open my own doors, even when they appear to be closed. I appreciate being able to utilize the resources in SSS, such as getting tutoring, learning how to stay organized, and learning that I don’t have to bare my burdens alone, because there is someone here that can and will help me sort my problems out as they come. This program has given me the confidence to be comfortable in my own skin and not to second-guess my abilities just because challenges or obstacles may arise; I know I can conquer them whole-heartedly.

Thanks to the skills I have acquired in the SSS program, I can effectively succeed as a student, which has been a contributing factor to why I have earned Dean’s List every semester since entering SSS. I encourage you all to make your own success stories and to make use of the resources afforded to you, because they really do make a difference.

Thank You.”