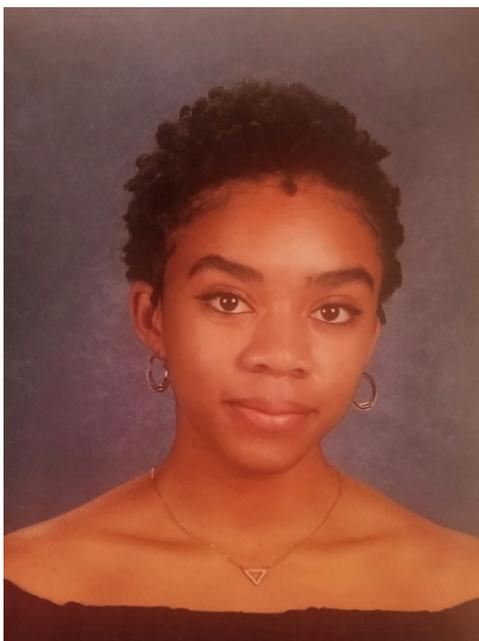


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This month The PAC Spotlight shines on:

Anaya Ellis



What do you want to do when you grow up?

I want to become a white coder and computer security analyst.

What have you participated in at the PAC?

Thoroughly Modern Millie, Peter Pan Jr., Frozen Jr., Matilda Jr., Lion King Jr., Seussical, Beauty and the Beast, Aladdin, Mulan Jr., and The Addams Family

What have been your most rewarding PAC experiences?

When I went to see my first musical, which was *Lion King*, that kick-started my love for musical theater. Without coming to the PAC to see that musical when I was younger, I wouldn't have the love for performing so deep in my soul.

What did you learn from your PAC experiences?

I learned how to be more confident and just live in the moment. I used to cry whenever I had to do solos or perform anywhere. But when I started doing shows with the PAC and Allegro Dance Theater, it made me a much more confident and humble person. If you're always just thinking about how bad things might turn out for you, then you won't get anywhere in life. My PAC experiences have taught me how to perform as if it's my last moment and work for what I want.

How have you benefited from the PAC?

I've benefited from the PAC because it's given me so many friends and opportunities that I wouldn't have known about or gotten if I hadn't been to the PAC shows or performed with them. It's given me so much happiness and joy from the people I've met to the performances I've been in. It's benefited me by pushing me out of my shell.

Why is the PAC important to you?

The PAC is important to me because not a lot of schools or counties have the same facilities as the PAC does. It's a place where I can perform, and it feels like what you see on TV. It's important to me because without the PAC, I wouldn't have the same look at performances that I do now.

Why should the PAC be important to others?

It should be important to others because it provides a place where all types of arts can collide. It lets kids experience the theater and have a nice place to show off their talents. It should be important because now you can sit on padded seats and not bleachers. It is a great place for all art forms to perform, no matter if they're professionals or amateurs.



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