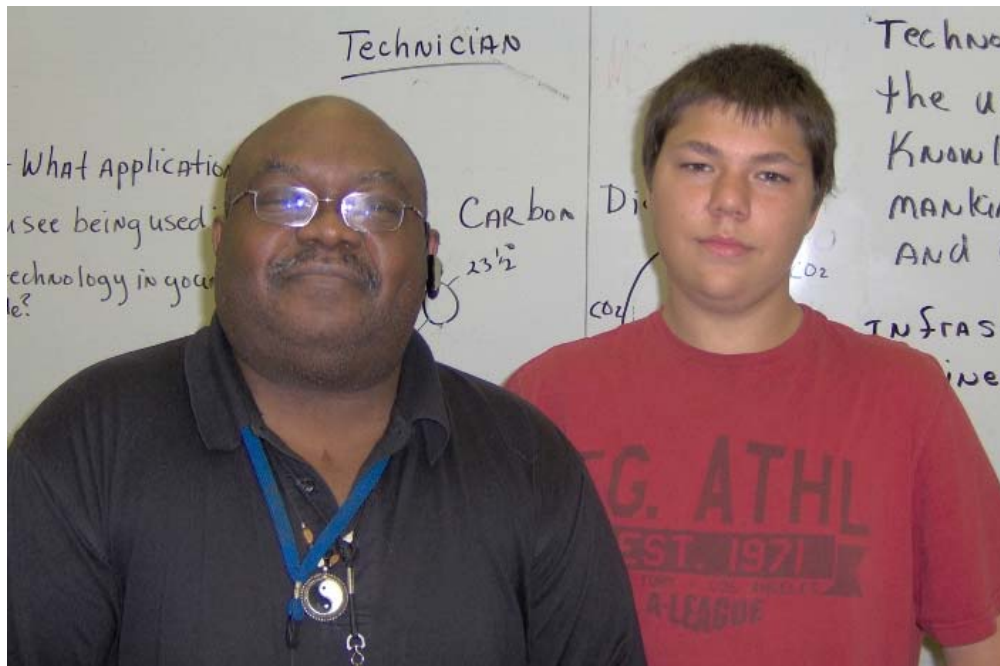


Thomas Bailey had no interest in school. With no personal stake in his education, the 8th grader at Mendenhall Middle School in Greensboro informed his teacher that he planned to drop out when he got to the 9th grade. The teacher, Technology Education instructor William Wall, asked Thomas about his interests and found out he liked to work on cars. Mr. Wall then used the F4K program to show Thomas the education programs available at Guilford Tech for auto technicians, where Thomas learned he needed to stay in school to qualify for those programs.



No longer at risk of dropping out, Thomas is currently applying to the auto tech program at Weaver Academy in Greensboro. In addition, Mr. Wall has connected with both F4K and Guilford Tech to discuss the scholarship program offered by Guilford Tech for some of their college tech prep programs, including auto technology.

F4K bridges the gap between the hopes and dreams of our students and the workforce development needs of our communities. F4K uses technology to create a community of support around our kids, encouraging them to explore careers by connecting with Career Coaches and companies across North Carolina.

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