

Josh Brown, Senior



Josh Brown is a senior this year. He's majoring in history and pre-law. His goal is to obtain one of our prestigious *Caney Cottage Scholarships* and enter the University of Kentucky where he can earn his law degree. He hopes to stay on the UK campus in the *Berger Residence Hall* which Alice Lloyd College owns and makes available – *at no cost* – to ALC graduates continuing their educational studies toward medical or professional degrees.

Then, Josh wants to return home to Letcher County, Kentucky, and enter into politics. His goal is to run for County Attorney – and be elected, of course. He is tired of seeing his friends and neighbors suffering from a lack of education . . . and an even sadder situation of being preyed upon by drug dealers. “If you run away from a problem,” Josh says, “it doesn’t get any better.”

Josh wants to make a difference . . . to inspire others . . . to turn things around for today's young people in Central Appalachia. He wants to help them develop great expectations for themselves and to rise up and find success through opportunities such as he has received at Alice Lloyd College.

Although Josh is not the first in his family to attend college – as so many of our students are – he will be the first to earn a bachelor's degree. So why did he choose ALC? With little money available from home, one of the things that appealed to Josh when he was applying for college was our *Student Work Program*, where *ALL full-time students work at least 10 hours a week as a requirement for graduation*. He liked the idea of being able to work to pay his own way. “I'm proud of that,” he says.

As a freshman, Josh began his work career at ALC as a janitor – first semester in the science center *cleaning classrooms, toilets, and laboratories*, and second semester in the gym, *again cleaning toilets along with picking up and sweeping after ball games*. His sophomore year was spent working grounds, *cutting grass in warm weather and shoveling snow in the cold* . . . and *picking up trash* with the garbage truck crew year-round. This past summer, Josh worked on campus to earn some extra money for books and personal supplies – just as he has done every summer. *He is worked in the College's new fitness center where faculty, staff, and students go to stay in shape*. Currently, Josh is a dormitory resident advisor as he was during his junior year.

In addition to academics and work-study, Josh has served on the Quality Enhancement Program (QEP) committee, an integral part of our recent reaccreditation with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS). The committee was responsible for designing methods for supervisor training and evaluation in order to improve the quality of our Student Work Program. The College received outstanding marks for the QEP and was fully reaccredited.

Josh is an excellent example of our student body – clean-cut, intelligent, with a great work ethic and a burning desire to make a difference – not only for himself, but for his community. We expect to see great things from Josh in the future, and you can be proud to say you have supported his educational endeavors.