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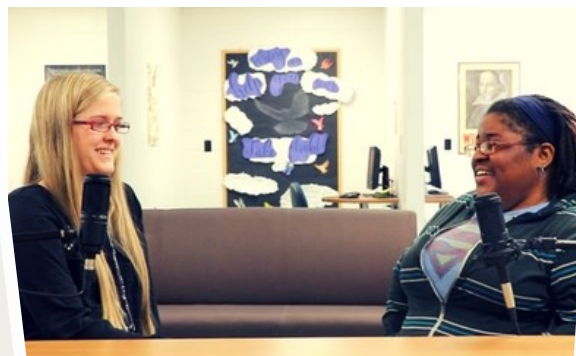
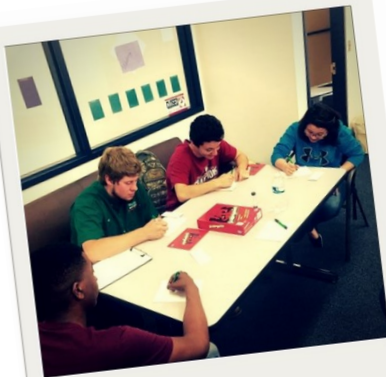
Spring Edition 2017

WALLACE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

# TWC Platform

## We Love That You Love Us

Welcome to the Spring Edition of The Platform. This issue features Open Mic Night, Black History Month, Student Testimonials, and more. Thanks for reading! We'll see you next time.



# ♪ Open Mic Night ♪



Peer tutors and students cultivated a safe space at Open Mic Night and shared their views, opinions, and thoughts without feeling judged or discredited.



For our fourth Open Mic Night, students of WCC shared works on social injustices, words unsaid, and the intricacies of modern relationships. They also discussed starting a club.



# Black History Month



Peer Tutor Atima and Arabian performed "Black History Is." Atima wrote the poem to "emphasize the fact that many African-American contributors are overlooked." She wants people to learn more about "African Americans who may not be in our textbooks but are still very important."



Student Life Coordinator Daymesha Reed hosted an event led by students to celebrate Black History Month. Students performed both poetry and music for the event.

Throughout February, TWC also released a video series commemorating African-American authors and culture.



In the videos, faculty members and staff discussed their favorite literary works by African-American authors. Our very own Atima discussed her favorite poem "Phenomenal Woman" by Maya Angelou. Our professional tutor Robyn discussed "Thank You, M'am" by Langston Hughes. English instructor James Thomas encouraged viewers to read *Roots* by Alex Haley. "It's not just the story of African Americans – it's the story of Americans."

# Black History Month



# Working With Nursing Students

The Writing Center continued its successful collaboration with the nursing program, helping students create job materials. For the fifth semester, TWC delivered workshops and met with nursing students in one-on-one tutoring sessions to prepare them for their careers.



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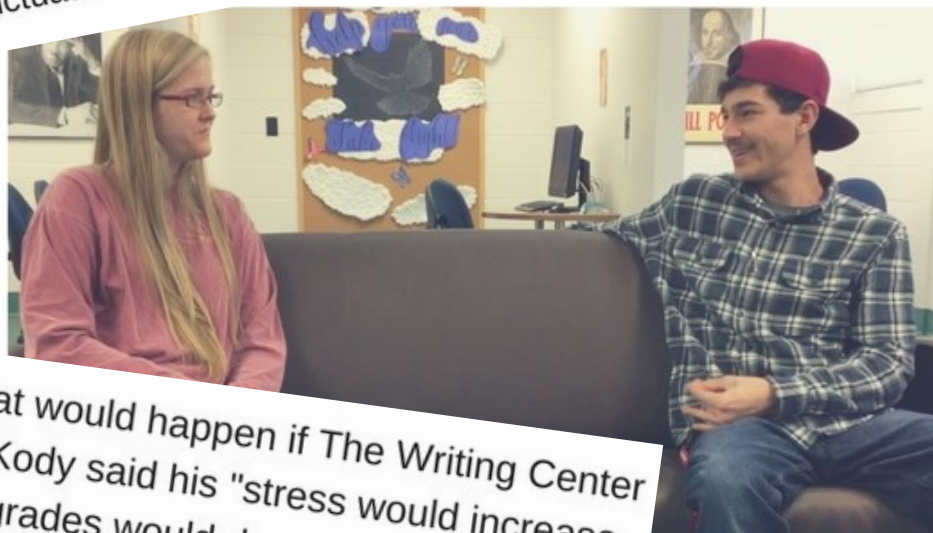
# Student Testimonials



Our new testimonial videos highlight the impact The Writing Center has on students. In each video, students discuss the positive experiences they have had while using us as a resource for their assignments. We love hearing from students!



When asked what she learned from The Writing Center, Martha said she learned a lot: "With The Writing Center, I learned where to punctuate, where to start, and where to end."



When asked what would happen if The Writing Center were not here, Kody said his "stress would increase and grades would decrease."



# MISS Represented



Peer tutor and artist Rachel Strain facilitated a discussion about her project Miss Represented, which examined the issues of female celebrity worship and the impact they have on culture and the world.



# Poetry Contest



Poetry competition winners Atima, Olivia, Megan (new peer tutor!), and Kat pose with their works.



WCC held its annual Jake Adam  
York Poetry Competition. Our  
peer tutor Atima placed first in  
the Free Verse category. Her  
winning poem "Outside the  
Window" is a reflection of her  
view on current events,  
specifically the unfairness of  
racial profiling and deportation.

