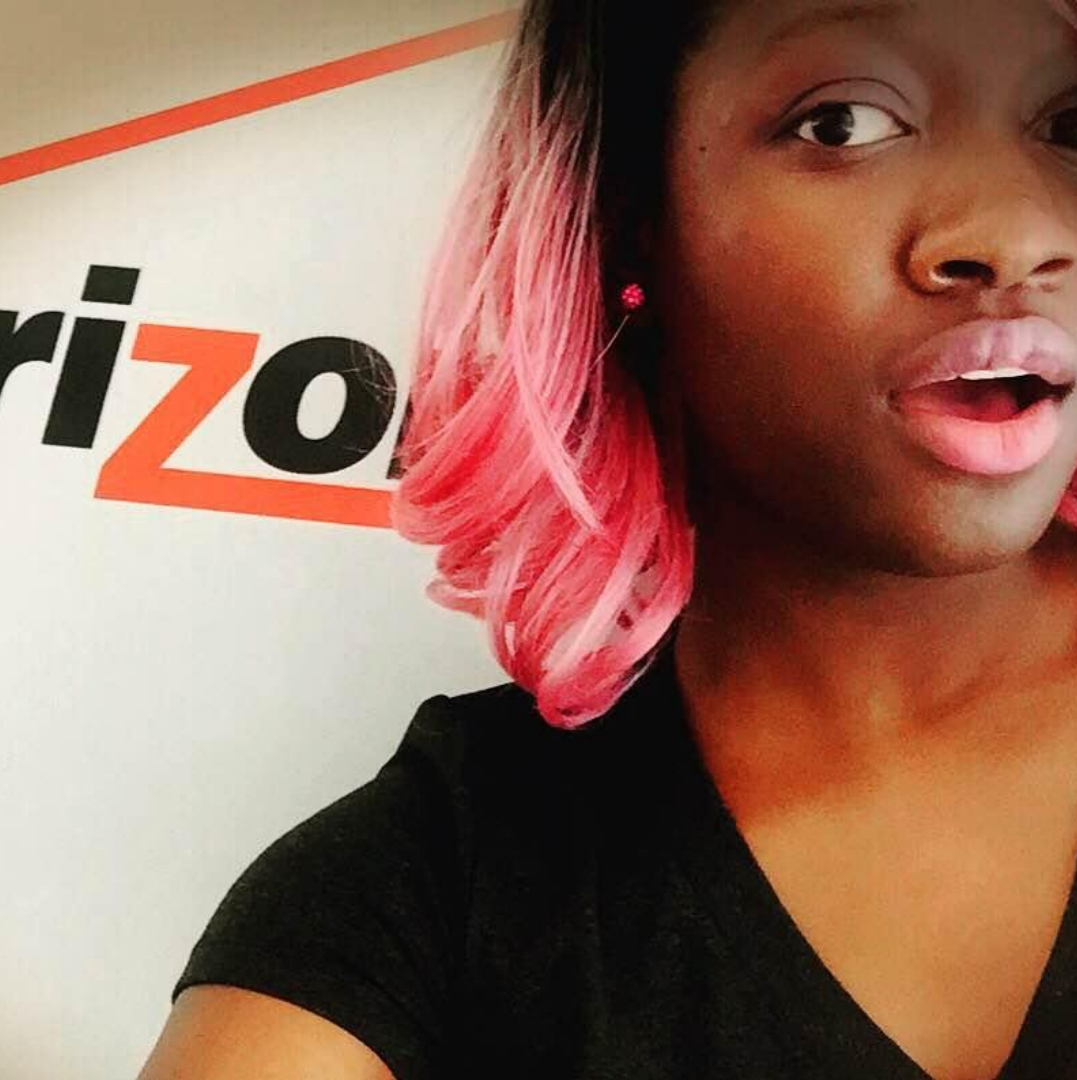


My Journey to Tech

Timirah James

 @TimirahJ



- 22
- Pink Burned Orange
- #TeamPisces
- I have one sibling <3
- Short Walks + Long Drives
- Yes, I'm a giant (6ft 0in)!
- I'm a recording artist!

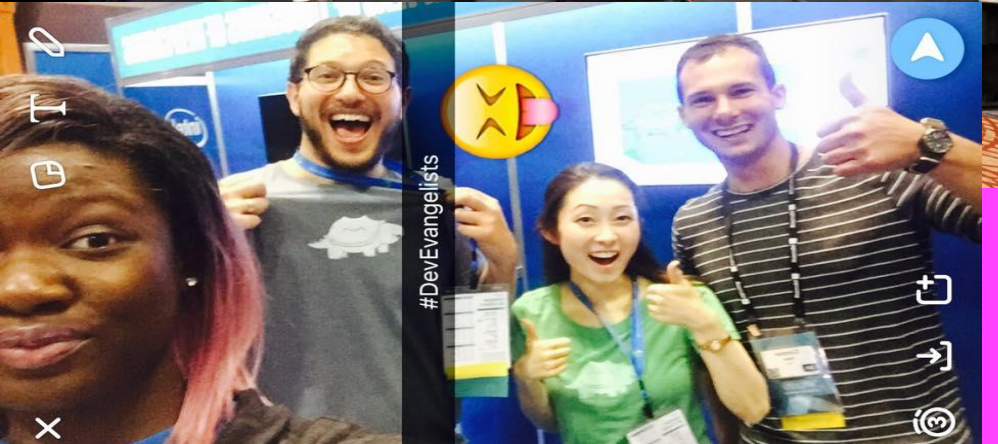
-- Yes I have a soundcloud. ;)
#Coderitis

Core Development Evangelist

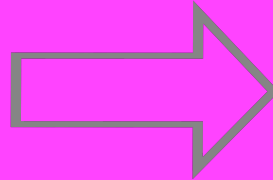


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Coming From Where I'm From



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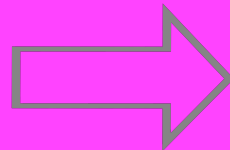




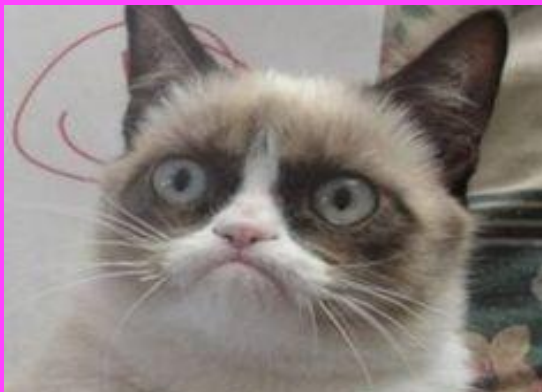
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College Degree, Here I Come!



One semester in . . .







- College Drop-Out
- No Job
- No direction
- Family Legacy
- What about mentors??
- What about my future??



Mama Knows Best!



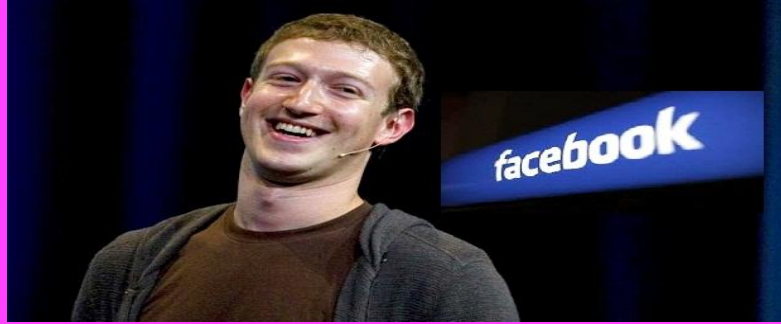
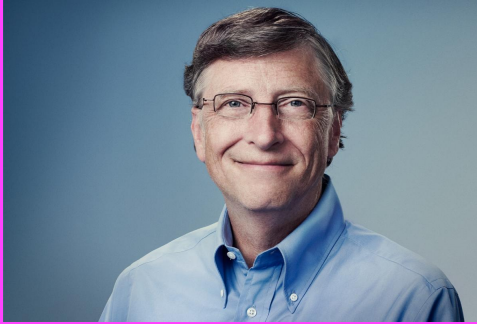
Principles (#3MajorKeys):

- “College does **NOT** define who you are. Nothing anyone else says, feels, does, writes, etc., can ever define who you are.”
- “If you want this skill for yourself, **go out and get it.**”
- “Do not feel that you need to run at the pace **set by the world.**”





Failures == The Most Successful!



Wait, there's a whole community?!?

- Outside classes, workshops, & hackathons!



Within a Year's Time:



- Sought out my first contract job and released an app into the App Store.
- First job as an iOS Developer in Hollywood, CA (\$55k/yr)
- 19yrs old

YOU CAN HELP MOLD THE FUTURE!!!

Career/Experiences

- Job transitions + increase
- Enhanced technical + business skills
- Personal revelations
- Being a lifelong student is MANDATORY
- Diversity issues
- Personal revelations





Gems

- You're in high demand! Know your worth!!!
- No matter what your passion may be, A GUARANTEED LANE FOR YOU/YOUR PASSION!!!
- Your **NETWORK** is your **NET WORTH\$\$\$\$\$!**

And last, but not least . . .

IT'S NOT ABOUT WHAT YOU KNOW ...

NOT ABOUT WHO YOU KNOW ...

WHO KNOWS WHAT YOU CAN DO?!?!?

Do what you
love
what you do.

Thank You

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