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UBMS 11 Overnight Trip to University of Cincinnati and COSI in Columbus Ohio.



On April 5th and 6th, UBMS II Director, Steve Jones, and Counselor, Linda Poppas accompanied a group of students from Perry County Central High School and Breathitt County High School on an educational overnight trip with stops in Cincinnati and Columbus Ohio. On Friday students traveled to Cincinnati Ohio where they were met by University of Cincinnati Director of Business Affairs for the Division of Student Affairs, Renee Hargrove. The

UBMS II students made their way to Tangeman University Center’s Great Hall where they were treated to a presentation of UC campus by UC Admissions staff and Student Ambassadors. Each student received a view book as they learned more about college life on an “urban campus” setting. Upon the completion of the campus welcome and UC presentation, students toured the UC main campus, visited the Impact House, a residence hall that is designated for first generation college students, and ate lunch MarketPoint Food Court. The students also were provided a toured of the sports facilities. Herbert McIntosh, a current 11th grader from Breathitt High School, inquired about the track and field programs at the University of Cincinnati. Through his inquiry he was provided the contact information for coaches in the track and field sport at UC.

During the admissions session as well as the tour, students appeared to be very engaged in the learning opportunity and requested additional information concerning programs offered by University of Cincinnati.

After the campus tour, the group traveled on to Columbus, Ohio. On Saturday, the students visited the Center of Science and Industry (COSI) for a hands on STEM learning experience. There were various exhibits for the students to visit, including The American Museum and Natural History Dinosaur Gallery, Crocs, /ancient Predators in a Modern World, Energy Explores, Tech Studio, The Body Mind Spirit Life Labs and the COSI Progress exhibit to name a few. The students were provided the opportunity to visit the National Geographic giant screen theater and view “Oceans Our Blue Planet”.

Students had many positive comments about their experiences including Courtney Bowling who said “Yesterday’s University of Cincinnati campus tour was great but my visit to COSI today has topped off my weekend! Debbie Allen, a sophomore at Perry County Central wrote in a Facebook post “A weekend for the books! Cincinnati and Columbus was a blast with these amazing people!”UBMS.

*Article written by Linda Poppas with permission to publish.