My name is Misty Powers and I am in the Birth through Kindergarten Education program.

I chose Birth through Kindergarten Education program because I knew that it was my purpose, driven from way back. When I was in elementary school, I just always loved being in the classroom and knew that was where I was supposed to be.

Some great experiences for me are really reflective towards getting in touch with my advisor and she was just there to provide the support for me. When I graduated – I actually graduated in 2015 – and I decided at the time that I was just done with it. Done with it all for the time being and I walked away with a non-teaching degree. Which meant I didn't have my license. So, I took a break and sitting back and watching the clock go around me, I was like, I can't just stop here. I have to pick up the luggage and keep going forward. And so, I just, connected back with my old advisor, and she was there to just support me along the way and point me in the right direction and get me going again.

If someone considered that they were looking for a place to go to college, just starting out or transfer, I would say choose Fayetteville State because it is a place where you can get a great experience for your future. For me, I was able to do the dual enrollment program which meant I could take my – part of my courses at a community college – and still be enrolled in Fayetteville State at the same time. So it was like just a perfect choice. In the end um – local – and I believe that we need to see more students involved in local colleges. And I would just say reach out because they are there.

I'm proud to be a bronco because I'm ready to be a leader in the classroom.