

#ThinkABILITY

SHAWN JACKSON

On May 29, 2017, not only will Shawn Jackson turn 19 years old but he will also become a high school graduate!

Three years ago Shawn entered the International High School as boisterous and proud as one could be. Anyone who knows him knows self-esteem is not an issue. He refuses to let life's challenges get to him in spite of having limited language skills due to his autism.

Shawn has redefined what autism means to me, his mother, and to others who have come to know him.

Despite his deficits, he continues to excel in school and in the community.



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Last year, at 18, Shawn proudly voted for the very first time. He has been preparing for life outside of high school, visiting universities, and working on social skills and job skills.

Shawn continues to amaze, especially on social media. 😊
I for one can't wait to see what his greatness brings.



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