



# Now I can... be a role model

When he talks about the power of persevering, Pisgah High School teacher Jay Levy speaks from a seat of authority—his wheelchair.

Paralyzed by a car accident during his sophomore year of college, Levy first worried he wouldn't finish his education degree. "But Methodist Rehab helped me realize life goes on after a spinal cord injury," he said. "You just have to find new ways to do everyday things. Life throws some hard situations at you sometimes, and it's up to you to figure out how to make them better."

It's a lesson he shares with his students, and his example has taught them what it takes to excel. They recently earned the highest scores in Mississippi on the English II Subject Area Test.

