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Advisor of the Year 2019

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reason why Student Government will be the best it can be in the future. Even after I leave Student Government and graduate from Brookhaven, Brian will foster opportunity for college and high school students for many years to come, just as he did for me. Brian has served as the college sponsor and advisor for Brookhaven's Student Government Association. During his tenure in this position, the Student Life office has expanded the services provided students which have included the creation of a new-to-college orientation institute, a second-year student leadership institute, an intramurals program, and a number of student clubs and organizations. Brian provides feedback, and encourages thinking outside the box. He encourages autonomy so they can discover and create their own pathways for success. Brian enjoys planning the annual student leadership retreat. It helps him connect with incoming student leaders and provides an outlet for him to share his years of knowledge and experience. The retreat also provides the flexibility students need to discover their own leadership style. Under Brian's leadership, Student Government has been revitalized this past year. Willingly and purposefully, he stepped up to the new advisor and take on his new challenge. Brian is a dedicated advisor to Student Government Association and shows this exemplifying true involvement into his Brookhaven, Region, and State leaders. In 2017, Brian was the Texas Junior Colleges Student Government Association advisor, Region II advisor, and the Brookhaven Student Government chapter advisor as well. You would imagine that a person involved on all three levels of Texas Junior College Student Government Association would not have any time left in his day, yet Brian never forgot about and always made time for the



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BRIAN BORSKI

"A father, advisor, leader, activist, human are just some of the words that comes to my mind when I think of Brian Borski." Maria F. Tovar BSGA President

Throughout our personal and professional lives, we face ourselves with big obstacles, new surroundings, changes, failures, achievements and more that help us evolve as humans. And, during those journeys, when the days might look dark or even bright, there is always that person that helps you go through those transitions. A person that is going to believe in your potential before you do. A person that is going to help you maintain steady and strong when failures and disappointments emerge. A person that is going to remind you what you are made of, and, most importantly, the power you have to transform your community for the better so that the upcoming generations can have a new kind of Texas.



What has Brian done for us?



Brookhaven Student Government Association

PAST

When Brian began advising SGA at Brookhaven College –just 7 years ago, meetings were held in a small conference room. Just the Executive officers and a couple of senators attended each general meeting, less than 10 people.

PRESENT

Locally, our chapter has thrived with Brian as the Advisor. Active membership in our Student Government Association has grown from 10 to about 50 students. We have created a new position named Special Events Coordinator on the Executive Board and because of this we sponsor more community service events each semester, like the Color Run to raise funds for Brookhaven scholarships, the Angel Tree to collect Christmas gifts for the Genesis Women's shelter, a campus clean up, and our newest campaign Bears Against AIDS.



TJCSGA REGION II



Brian has always motivated us to get out of our comfort zone, to think and achieve BIG. Because of the ideology and motivation Brian has provide to all Brookhaven students, Brookhaven Student Government Association has served in different ways to the TJCSGA Region II.



Brookhaven has held leadership position on the TJCSGA Region II Executive Board every year since Brian started working with SGA. Brookhaven students have held the Committee Chair positions on at least one committee every year—and for the five 2018-2019 Region II committees Brookhaven students chair four. Also, we have served as the President School for Region II three times in the past four years, and Brian has served as the advisor all three of those times. This year Brian is serving as the Region II Advisor and the Resolutions Committee advisor.



Texas Junior College Student Government Association

Thinking BIGGER and achieving BIGGER.

At the State level, Brian was elected to be the Advisor of the State Executive Board for the 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 academic years; and he has also serve as a guest presenter for the 2015 State Convention. Since his position as the Brookhaven SGA Advisor, our organization has serve the State Executive Board five times, two times as the President School and currently holds the Host School Position.



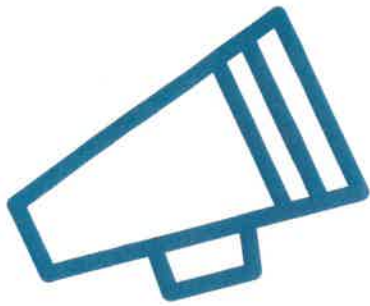


Community Service and outside BSGA

Outside of Student Government Association, Brian works with countless students to help them develop their leadership skills. About 6 years ago, Brian planned to sponsor a week long student leadership retreat for a group of student leaders from Brookhaven. After a little thought, Brian decided to open up the retreat and include all DCCCD schools with their students leaders in the retreat. Since then, every summer the DCCCD Summer Leadership Retreat is held for over a hundred student leaders and Brian serves as the chair.



Because Brian is concerned about the health of College students, every year, as the Director of Student Life, he helps to organize the Spooky Trot in order to gather food supplies for the Brookhaven food pantry. With this event, Brian makes sure that no one at Brookhaven suffers from hunger. Also, Brian is very active in his volleyball league where he serves as the President. The league continually sponsors volleyball tournaments in the community and donate the proceeds to local charitable and service organizations. The Brookhaven GSA has been recipient of some of these donations.

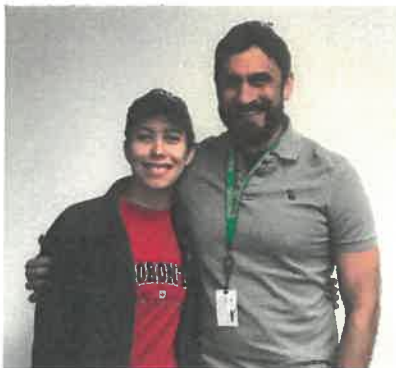
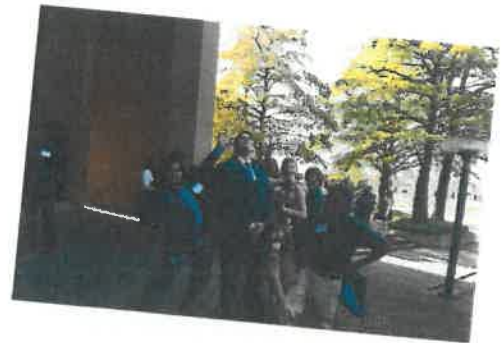


Now, let's see what the students and staff have to say!



"Brian helped me a lot, I cannot stop thanking him for all the extra work he takes on to make BHC students successful."-Fernando Sanchez 2016-2017 BSGA President

"Brian Borski has dedicated his life to education. His influence as advisor at Brookhaven college has literally impacted every student he meets, including myself. He has the ability to help students find and then reach their full potential, the evidence to prove it is overwhelming. His devotion to Brookhaven college has resulted in nothing but success for the college and deserves the upmost recognition."-Sonia Aguilera 2017-2018 TJCSGA President



"Brian is a proactive delegator that promotes a constructive, and positive environment. Working with Brian has been an absolute pleasure, he is extremely effective in demonstrating his willingness to help each person he comes across, succeed to the best of their abilities. Brian is understanding in each members strengths, and individual personality and makes them an important asset. His strengths include his effective communication skills, his dedication to work, and his responsive nature to those he is working with. Brian has become my mentor by providing an excellent example of the LGBTQ+ youth, with myself included. He serves as a reminder that overcoming the obstacles placed in the way is a task that is possible through resilience, and integrity."-Nora Jandres, 2018-2019 LGBTQ+ President

"Brian always sees the greatest in all his student, even in those moments when they cannot find greatness in themselves."- Carlos E. Valbuena (Spicy Papi) 2018-2019 TJCSGA Region II President



"Brian has served as a catalyst for my involvement. He is the reason why I had the courage to apply for the president position- something never done before by a high school student."-Esteban Lopez 2017-2018 BSGA President





"Brian's leadership and organization skills has enabled us to work at our full potential and put our name on the map."- Emiliano Segura, 2018-2019 BSGA Secretary

'As a student leader, Brian has impacted me positively by contributing to my success and leadership skills."-Chidy Nneka, 2018-2019 IGNITE President



"He saw such a potential in me and pushed me to reach it and go beyond."- Mafe Febres 2018-2019 TJCSGA Host School



"I was a completely different person when I joined Brookhaven, always underestimated myself. After I attend a meeting or two and showed my interest in positions. Brian was the first one to motivate me. He has been the most amazing advisor I've ever had. From helping me with the local positions, regional position to helping me with all sort of work he was always there. It is rare to find people like him who are just so dedicated."- Rufeda Ali 2018-2019 TJCSGA Region II Secretary

"Brian is the god-father of Brookhaven students. He has assisted me and many friends with social and leadership skills. I learned that being open to new challenges with a positive attitude has a great impact on its success. Most importantly, Brian is the person that stands by you before stage and cheers afterward with great pride making us feel much more."- Luis Gamez 2017-2018 TJCSGA Region II Treasurer

"SGA will not be the same without the great job Brian does for each one of the members." - Jennifer Hernandez 2018-2019 BSGA Vice-President



"Brian is a great leader, not because of his power, but, because of his ability and dedication to empower others." Clara, 2019 Office of Student Life Orientation Coordinator



"Brian is more than a leader, he knows how to listen and guide all his students, he's a good friend."-Jose C. Hernandez, 2018-2019 BSGA Senator



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DALLAS COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

Office of the Vice-President of Student Affairs

DATE: February 23, 2018

TO: TJCSGA Awards Committee

FROM: Oscar M. Lopez, Vice-President
Brookhaven College Office of Student Affairs

It is with distinct pleasure that I write a letter of support for Mr. Brian Borski, in support of his nomination for TJCSGA Advisor of the Year.

I have had the pleasure of serving as Brian's direct supervisor since 2011, when I selected him to serve as the Director of Student Life at Brookhaven College. In addition, he has served as the college sponsor/advisor of Brookhaven's Student Government Association. During his tenure in this position, the Student Life office has expanded the services provided to students which have included the creation of a new-to-college student orientation program, a second-year student leadership institute, an intramurals program, as well as a record number of student clubs and organizations.

Under his leadership, the Brookhaven College Student Government Association has also been recognized on both the local, regional and state levels of the TJCSGA. He has served as an SGA advisor on the regional and state SGA Boards for the last two years. Brian exemplifies professionalism, commitment, quality, dedication and hard-work, all with a dedicated spirit in serving students. Equally important, Brian is well respected by his college and state of Texas SGA colleagues, fostering positive and productive relationships.

Service is one of our Core Values at Brookhaven College. In Brian's role as SGA Advisor at Brookhaven, as well as his roles in other SGA initiatives with the TJCSGA, he has exemplified the core value of service in all of his interactions with the students.

Thank you for giving me this opportunity to support Brian's nomination!

February 23, 2018

Dear Selection Committee,

I am writing this letter in support of Brian Borski. I have known Brian for more than three years and have always seen him as a ready advocate for students. His energy and "can do" attitude can be so contagious, that he can quickly motivate students and encourage people to participate in events or activities.

One of the things that sets Brian apart, is that he brings a unique perspective to any group or organization that he is a part of.

Brian is always supportive, provides feedback, and encourages thinking outside the box. He likes to give people autonomy so they can discover and create their own pathways. For example, Brian enjoys planning the annual student leadership retreat. It helps him connect with incoming student leaders and provides an outlet for him to share his years of knowledge and experience. The retreat also provides the flexibility students need to discover their own leadership style

He is quick to assist other departments or people with various requests. He is also quick to lend a helping hand to students in need. Whether it's directing students to on campus resources or mentoring one of his Student Government Association officers, Brian always remains respectful, courteous and professional. During the time I have worked with Brian, I have had many opportunities to grow and enhance my knowledge. I hope that you will consider his application. Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,

Rebekah Benavides

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Student Life Office Coordinator



Brookhaven College

DALLAS COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

February 23rd, 2018

To Whom It May Concern:

Every order I call, event I plan, and thought I summon, I know that it will be an opportunity for growth due to Brian's guidance. In recollection, Brian is a support system, one that never falters or discourages one from the freedom of thought. Brian has planned and seen so many events occur on the local, regional, and state level, yet he treats every student in a humble manner. I remember visiting his office often last year and every single time I showed up at his door, he would always be in a meeting, running a phone call, or intensely working on his computer on his SGA tasks. In every general meeting we had, Brian broadened the range of campus involvement by encouraging the members to make motions and pursue leadership positions at both the regional and the state level. It is through his commitment where I soon came to realize how much of an impact he has been for all of us and how much he has excelled as an advisor. Specifically with me, I remember him taking me to the biannual Community College Day, where community college students from all across the state go to the capital to speak to representatives and senators. It was my first time speaking to politicians. I was beyond scared being 16 years old and having to present myself to many important figures. I remember Brian encouraging me saying "Look, we haven't had a high school student come to Community College Day and we are going to make sure these politicians remember your name." With that, he guided me through the whole event, putting me in uncomfortable situations, urging me to begin my transformation as a leader. He not only sparked this transformation within me, he has positively transformed every student he has had an interaction with.

Brian has served as a catalyst for my involvement. He is the reason why I had the courage to apply for the president position- something never done before by a high school student. He is the reason why Student Government is the way it is today. He is the reason why Student Government will be the best it can be in the future. Even after I leave Student Government and graduate from Brookhaven, Brian will foster opportunity for college and high school students for many years to come, just as he did for me.

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