

Patrick Burke teaches Algebra 1 and Computer Science in Galveston, Texas

Patrick's profile:

Hometown: Galveston, Texas

Major at TAMUG: Maritime Administration, 2007

Why did you choose a career in teaching? I want to make a difference in my community and invest in the future.

Number of years in classroom: 2

My School: Ball High School, Galveston ISD

Extracurricular sponsorships/coaching assignments: Tor Watch

How I motivate my students to learn: I present them with real world applications for as many different situations as possible.

My educational philosophy: I would like for my energy and passion for my subjects to inspire my students to pursue the career path of their choosing.

My long term career goals: I would eventually like to work for myself.

Favorite part of my job: There is something new every day.

Least favorite part of my job: Dealing with unreceptive students in the halls.

Last Book I read: Skip Yowell's *The Hippie Guide to Climbing the Corporate Ladder and Other Mountains: How JanSport Makes it Happen*

My Hobbies: Photography, travel, backpacking, tennis, and surfing