



5 Questions with SERGE GEORGES, JR. '88

Q: As you begin your term as Board Vice-chair, there is a new slate of members joining as well. What opportunities does this present?

We are fortunate that the leadership and efforts of former Chair, Kelly Verrochi, and Vice-Chair, Tim O'Donnell, left the cupboard full with a roster of talented incoming members to the Board who will join an equally impressive group from last year. All of the members love BC High and are deeply committed to its future success. The diversity of experiences and backgrounds among the Board will allow for broader understanding and deliberation to better discharge our duties as a Board to help BC High be the very best it can be.

Q: In the court room you are faced with making difficult decisions every day. In thinking about the challenges facing BC High today with the global pandemic and the Black Lives Matter movement, what is it that inspires you about the way in which the Board and school leadership will need to make hard decisions moving forward?

What truly inspires me is the willingness of the Board and school leadership to do the work in becoming better. Talk is still cheap, and despite some of the challenges we have to take on, not once have I felt or seen anyone shy away from the difficulty. To the contrary, I have seen the Board and school leadership run to it and embrace it. I cannot help but be inspired by that.

Q: What do you see as the short-term priorities for the Board?

Supporting President Regan and her administration through a variety of challenges in the near term from budgetary implications, strengthening enrollment, delivering the BC High education and experience through the pandemic and effecting substantive change in equity and inclusiveness.

Q: And, thinking more strategically at the long-range view, what does BC High look like in the future?

I would love to see BC High continue to be the jewel of secondary education in the Eastern Massachusetts area the way it has been for generations of families and young men. When I was growing up in St. Kevin's parish in Dorchester, the dream always was to be a "BC High boy." A school where you would be academically challenged and spiritually nurtured in the Jesuit tradition and mission. I know I may be biased, but I truly believe that BC High is the best anywhere. Period. And I want to do my part to help BC High stay who we are for many more generations to come.

Q: How can our alumni, parents, and friends support the Board, the administration, and most importantly, our students?

While there are too many to list, one of my favorite memories was being a part of the "Squareheads" team competing in the freshman Olympics from Mr. Argento's Modern European History class. Mr. Argento was an energetic, dynamic, and funny teacher and he taught his class in a way that helped us all bond as a team outside of the classroom. I can't recall how we did in that competition. But, I do recall that we had so much fun that it didn't even matter.