

Faust's House

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Brady Faust is the current Career Counselor here at Oak Hills High School, though, in previous years he played his role as a history teacher. Most of the students familiar with him were in one of his government classes. Mr. Faust didn't feel like a teacher to many students, he was almost like a peer to most. This is not to say that he is childish, but that he understands how the students see everything and he works with them on a personal level while being very easy to communicate with. His class is almost like working in partners the entire year, but it's just you and Mr. Faust. In the opinion of many, his people skills are relatively unmatched by any other school staff member in the building. This is also something that made him perfect for the new counseling role. Faust is an Oak Hills Alumni, a Miami University graduate, and got his master's degree in counseling from the University of Dayton. Mr. Faust isn't done with schooling quite yet though. He is pursuing another degree in administration. He



said "I have kids, all under the age of 10. Plus, I have one more on the way who will be here soon. The counseling role allows me to leave at 3:30 get home and spend the day with them. Being a principal or vice-principal is too time-consuming right now and I need to spend more time with my children. Maybe when they are older I will further my career and move further up in the school system." The dedication he has to his career and his family is nothing less than admirable. But that's not all, he also has a part-time gig as a Preacher outside of school. Faust stated that "Being a preacher is similar to being a teacher and a counselor. I work with people through their problems and guide them along their way through life." By far, the best quote that Faust is responsible for is "The soft skills matter just as much as the hard skills. The soft skills of knowing how to interact with the children. The smartest teacher doesn't always make the best teacher. Anybody can pick up a hammer, but not everyone will be on time or do the job effectively. The teacher focuses on the hard skills and lack of essential life skills that will be met within the close future." This mindset made Faust the teacher and the friend that he is to many of his students. A student who took his government class last year, Ethan Gray said of him, "His class was fun, he held our attention while talking about government. Plus, when you need help he is immediately there. He doesn't waste time. Faust takes the time to answer every question and concern that you may have. Mr. Faust has probably the most personally impactful in the entire building." Faust is not just a teacher, he leaves lasting effects on faculty and students. Mr. Faust has a constant positive vibe around him. He is someone who brightens your day even when you're in the worst of moods.