Greetings,

My name is Jamaur D. Barnes. I am from Houston, Texas by way of Tacoma, Washington. I am a proud graduate of Prairie View A&M University, where "We Produce Productive People", and I hold background studies in Communications and Journalism as well as Behavior and Political Sciences. I am certified to teach grade levels four through eight—all core subjects, and this is my seventh and a half year in education.

I have taught grade levels five through nine, and my educational, instructional background includes servicing students in the following: Pre Advanced Placement, High School and College Readiness, Special Education and Critical Needs, English as a Second Language, STAAR Readiness and Intervention, Title One and 504 management.

I previously served in Spring Independent School District, where I implored my leadership skills in Student and Teacher Advisory, Student Crisis and Emotional Outreach, Community Service and Outreach, and School and Public Relations. In addition to Teacher of the Year on two occasions, I was also awarded Spring I.S.D.'s Secondary District Teacher of the Year Distinction. Additionally, my training include: Educational Integration of Technology, Capturing Kids' Hearts, Spence Rogers' PEAK Learning, Harry Wong's Effective Classrooms, Reaching at Risk Youth, and Multicultural Awareness of Students.

This year I will be servicing B.C.M.A.R. as one of the two highly qualified and trained English teachers. I believe in fostering relationships with faculty and staff, and that the maximization of student achievement begins with relational values. It is my personal philosophy that all students are intelligent and hold every answer inside of them! I know that all students are capable of learning, and that no matter what the challenge is, it shall be met and conquered!

I believe in lessons that are not only engaging but critically challenging and rigorously stimulating! I will constantly provide students with lessons that are relevant and enrich them academically, socially, and culturally! Our focus is to be "Life Long Learners" beyond college! I am excited to serve all students and all parents, let's make this year great!