

# PRH TEACHER SPOTLIGHT:

## Kevin Roberts



### Who would you like to star as you in a movie about your life and why?

Dan Stevens. He is the star of Legion, my Favorite Marvel show that comes on FX. He is a great actor and I love his character on Legion. I think he would do a great job playing a taller more handsome version of myself!

### Where is the furthest you have ever been on vacation?

I have never been out of the country, but when I was 22 some friends and I won an online qualifier to play Counter-Strike (a competitive video game) in a tournament in San Francisco.

### What is your teacher motto?

My teacher motto is the same as my life motto: Be Kind and Work Hard!

### When did you realize you wanted to become a teacher?

I had graduated college with a degree in Math but found myself flipping burgers. After a bad night and some wrong words said, I got fired and was without a job. At this point I started substitute teaching to see what it was like and found out I kind of liked being in the classroom and helping students where I could. So, I decided to go back to college to get certified to teach and here I am.

### What are your hobbies?

I have always enjoyed playing video games since I was a kid. Right now the only game I really enjoy playing is Overwatch on the PC. I also love Science Fiction books and movies.

### What do you find is most rewarding about your job?

I could say I love teaching Math, but really it doesn't matter what I teach. The most rewarding thing is making connections with the students. I also really love hearing when students are arguing about what they are learning!

### If you were granted a super power, what would you want it to be?

Psychokinesis (Telekinesis): The ability to move things with your mind. Just imagine the possibilities!

### What is your advice to students at PRHS?

It doesn't matter who you were, what you did, or where you were. It matters what you do today and where you are going tomorrow! Every day is new. All you can do is try your best every day to be the best you. Be kind, work hard, and learn all you can.

### What is the last book you read?

I just finished reading The Stone Sky which is the third book in The Broken Earth Trilogy by N.K. Jemisin. It is a Science-Fantasy series that takes place on a planet that periodically endures catastrophic geological events. The story has to deal love, loss, prejudice and the fate of the world.

### If you were able to get a high school do-over, what would you do different?

I would participate in more extracurricular activities. I would join more clubs, go to more games, go to more dances, go to more plays. I would try to get more involved in everything the school has to offer.

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## Renee Pando



**What is your favorite movie?**

Fifth Element

**How many siblings do you have?**

I have 3 sisters! One younger and two older.

One of them works for Guinness World Records in New York, and the rest of us are all teachers in Louisiana.

**What is the last book you read?**

I just finished Stephen King's The Outsider. I love horror and mystery.



**Two things people would never guess about you?**

I can spin a basketball on my finger for a crazy long time. I'm obsessed with Indian food!

**What profession other than your own would you most like to attempt?**

Park Ranger at a national park, or a helicopter pilot!

**How was your high school experience?**

I went to Fontainebleau High where I was on the varsity soccer and track team. I was an average student and my only detentions were for dress code violations...I was always trying to sneak colored streaks into my hair!

**What are your hobbies?**

I like walking around the New Orleans with my dog listening to music, and reading and watching all things horror/mystery/sci-fi/fantasy!

**What is the most rewarding part of your job?**

The most rewarding part of this job is easily the moment I see one of my students create something they are proud of. I love seeing someone develop a passion for art in my classroom 😊

**Where is the furthest you have ever been on vacation?**

The furthest country I have ever visited was the island of Santorini in Greece! My favorite place I've ever visited was Iceland.