



JOSÉ BECERRA

2016 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

While growing up in St. Bernard Parish, the children on the corner of Magistrate and Volpe were seen "Running" through the neighborhood on a daily basis. The five siblings were actually holding Mock Track Meets and coincidentally, this was the residence of tonight's Hall of Fame Inductee, José Becerra. With happenstance, José the middle sibling, honed his skills a mere four houses from your St Bernard Sports Hall of Fame Center.

José Becerra is a young man, but his list of accomplishments/awards is without end. As a matter of fact, the list is burgeoning as we speak.

EDUCATION

Chalmette High School -1986
 Southeastern Louisiana University - 1991 B.A. Political Science, 1998 M.A. History
 University of Phoenix - 2003 M. Ed. Administration

PLAYGROUND & ST. BERNARD ALL-STAR HONORS & ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Rebel Park Raiders
- » Football - 10, 11, 12, 13, & 14 year old team member
 - » Basketball - 10, 11, 12, 13, & 14 year old team member
 - » Baseball - 12, 13, & 14 year old team member
 - » Track & Field - 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, & 14 year old team member
- St. Bernard Parish All-Stars
- » Football - 11, 12, 13, & 14 year old team member
 - » Southerners Team member for Coach Mike Ginart - 1982 & 1983
 - » Basketball -11, 12, 13
 - » Bidy All-Stars 11 & 12 year old teams
 - » Pre-Prep All-Stars 13 & 14 year old team member
- St. Bernard Express Track & Field Club
- » 1984-1986
 - » TAC (USATF) National Qualifier 1984, 1985, 1986
 - » TAC 2000 Meter Steeplechase National Finalist (7th Place), 1986

MIDDLE SCHOOL ATHLETIC HONORS & ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- N.P. Trist Middle School
- » Football (7th & 8th Grade) 1981, 1982
 - » Undefeated Parish Champions
 - » Basketball (6th, 7th, & 8th Grade) 1980, 1981, 1982
 - » Baseball (7th & 8th Grade) 1981, 1982
 - » Track & Field (6th, 7th, & 8th Grade) 1980, 1981, 1982
 - » Parish Champions

HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC HONORS & ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Chalmette High School Track & Field
- » 4 Year Letterman
 - » State Indoor 1600 Meter Champion - 1986
 - » State Finalist - 3rd Place - 1600 Meters - 1985
 - » State Finalist - 5th Place - 3200 Meters - 1985
 - » State Indoor Finalist - 5th Place - 1600 Meters - 1985
 - » Region III Runner-up - 1600 & 3200 Meters - 1985
 - » District 10-AAAA Runner up - 1600 & 3200 Meters - 1985
 - » School Record Holder - 1600 Meters & 3200 Meters - 1985
 - » 4 - Time Track & Field Team MVP
 - » 3 - Time Cross Country Team MVP
 - » AAU Junior Olympic Games National Championship Qualifier
 - » TAC (USATF) National Championship Qualifier
 - » TAC National Finalist - 7th Place - 2000 Meter Steeplechase
- Chalmette High School Cross Country
- » 3 Year Letterman
 - » State Finalist - 11th Place - 1984
 - » State Qualifier 1984, 1985
 - » District Finalist - Top 10 - 8th Place - 1984
 - » District Finalist - Top 10 - 7th Place - 1985

- Chalmette High School Football
- » 3 Year Letter Winner

- » District 10-AAAA Honorable Mention - 1985
- » Top 5 All-Time in Receiving Yards Per Game (104 yds.)
- » Top 5 All-Time in Receptions in a Game (12)

HIGH SCHOOL EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES & ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- » Student Council (9th, 10th, 11th, & 12th Grades)
- » Class Officer (9th, 10th, 11th, & 12th Grades)
- » Co-Editor in Chief of The Owl Newspaper (1985-86)

COLLEGIATE ATHLETIC HONORS

- Cross Country
- » 1 Year Letterman - University of New Orleans ('86-'87)
 - » 3 Year Letterman - Southeastern Louisiana University ('87-'91)
 - » 2-Time Team MVP ('87 & '90)
- Track & Field
- » 1 Year Letterman - University of New Orleans ('86-'87)
 - » 3 Year Letterman - Southeastern Louisiana University ('87-'91)
 - » 2-Time Team MVP ('88 & '90)
 - » Team Captain Award - 1991
 - » SLU's Men's Outdoor Track Events All-Time Best - Distance Medley Relay (School Record - 1991)
 - » SLU's Men's Indoor Track Events All-Time Best - 4 x 800 Meter Relay (School Record - 1988)

COACHING ACCOMPLISHMENTS - St. Thomas Aquinas High School

- » Coached 9 Team State Champions (4 Cross Country, 5 Track & Field)
- » Boys Cross Country 1995
- » Girls Cross Country 1997, 2002, 2003
- » Girls Indoor Track & Field 2003, 2004
- » Girls Outdoor Track & Field 1998, 2003, 2004
- » Coached 5 Team State Runner-ups (3 Cross Country, 2 Track & Field)
- » 2004 Louisiana Sportswriters Association T&F Coach of the Year
- » 14 Team District Championships in Cross Country
- » Coached 9 Individual State Champions in Cross Country
- » Coached 14 Individual State Champions in Indoor Track & Field
- » Coached 38 Individual State Champions in Outdoor Track & Field
- » 47 Student-Athletes Selected to LTFCA/LHSAA Academic All-State Team
- » 20 Former Athletes signed with Colleges or Universities
- » Coached 6 National Champions - All Americans (AAU & USATF)

STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS WHILE PRINCIPAL OF SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS HIGH SCHOOL (2005-2016)

- » Boys Basketball (2007 & 2008)
- » Boys Soccer (2008)
- » Girls Cross Country (2007, 2008)
- » Girls Indoor Track & Field (2009, 2010)
- » Girls Outdoor Track & Field (2008)
- » Girls Basketball (2010 & 2013)
- » Baseball (2016)

Other Accomplishments

- » NCAA Track & Field Official (2015-Present) - NCAA 2015 West Regional Qualifier and NCAA 2016 East Regional Qualifier, Assistant Starter at both Meets
- » USATF Official (1998 - Present) (Starter & Head

- » Starter)
- » Meet Official - AAU National Championship Junior Olympic Games and AAU Club National Championships ('00-Present)
- » 10 Year Achievement Award for AAU Track & Field Officials (2011)
- » AAU Junior Olympic Games Bob Oren Excellence in Officiating Award - For Outstanding Commitment Officiating 15 Junior Olympic Games Track & Field Championships (2016)
- » Dean's List - Southeastern Louisiana University (1987-1991)
- » Honor Graduate - Southeastern Louisiana University - M.A. History (1998)
- » Honor Graduate - University of Phoenix - M.Ed. - (2004)

MEMBERSHIPS

- » USATF Master Certified Official
- » NCAA Track & Field Official
- » AAU Track & Field Official
- » Louisiana State University Track and Field Officials Association
- » University of Texas Track & Field Officials Association
- » Louisiana Track & Field Coaches Association
- » Tau Kappa Epsilon International Fraternity Member - Theta Nu Chapter
- » Phi Alpha Theta - History Honor Society - Rho-Phi Chapter
- » National Association of Secondary School Principals (NAASP)
- » Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) - Quality Assurance Review Chair and Team Member

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Roseland Montessori School 2016-Present
- » Assistant Principal
 - » Head Cross Country and Track & Field Coach
 - » Started school's first ever athletic program

SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL 1994-2016

- Hammond, LA
- » Principal 2005-2016
 - » Assistant Principal 1998-2005
 - » Teacher/Coach 1994-2005

PERSONAL

- » Lifelong resident of St. Bernard Parish until 1993. Currently live in Hammond.
- » Married to Laura Stevens Becerra
- » Three Children - Jordyn (23), Brady (19), and Jacob (18)
- » All three of my children have won State Championships in High School. Jordyn won 6 State Championships, 2 in Cross Country and 4 in Track & Field. Jordyn was an All-American in AAU Track & Field, winning the 2000 Meter Steeplechase at the AAU Club National Championship Meet in 2010 and the High Jump in 2009. Brady won the 60 Meter Hurdle State Championship at the LHSAA State Indoor Track & Field Championship Meet in 2015. Brady was also an AAU All-American National Champion in the Pentathlon in 2011 at the AAU Club National Championship Meet. Jacob was a member of the Saint Thomas Aquinas 2016 Baseball State Champions as the starting left fielder.