

# Behind the frowns: There's more to these RCHS disciplinarians than meets the eye

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Every student at RCHS knows the uncompromising laws of the hall. Students also know who keeps the behavior in check, but few people know about these three men. Mr. Barry Noble, Mr. Rick Barnett, and Coach Tony Saylor are the valiant protectors of our school.

## Mr. Barry Noble

Any word but funny describes assistant principal Barry Noble agrees the student body, but his wife Chrysti says she has to disagree. "He has a real good sense of humor."

The student body does agree that he is strict. Noble agrees with students saying, "It's my job. Although it's not so much being strict, just holding people accountable."

"Being strict is what makes us [students] fear and respect him," said junior Julie Dooley.

"I believe I am fearfully respected. Some students behave because it's instilled in them by their families," said Noble. "Other behave because they fear the consequences that will be levied upon them due to a lack of respect or breaking school rules."

Noble and his wife are the par-

ents of a 3 year old son, Carson. Students were curious about how strict Noble will be on his son.

"I already am strict on my son," said Noble.

Being strict is one of Noble's trademarks, another one is his shirts. Most of the time Noble wears bright colored Tommy Hilfiger shirts.

"My wife buys my shirts."

His wife may buy his shirts, but Mrs. Noble says, "He's picky about his clothes."

Noble comes across as a well dressed professional, but wants to come across as a person who cares for the whole school and community.

He plays an active role in the community he lives in, and he is the RCHS golf coach. Golf team member Jon Baker says he's a nice guy but puts a lot of pressure on the golfers.

"He wants us to win every time," said Baker.

Noble is as notorious for his golfing as he is for mustache, which he recently shaved off on a dare.

"I double dog dared him," said his sister-in-law Cayci Beaver.

"Cayci dared me, and I got tired of plucking out the gray hairs," Noble said referring to his mustache of 16 years.

Many students admire Noble.

"I know him so well I think of him as a dad," said junior Candice Blair.

Every student may not like Noble but they all respect him.

"Like any person he has his good days and his bad days," said junior Matt Mullins.

## Coach Tony Saylor

"Mean."

"Scary."

"Strict."

Each of these words have been used when describing Tony Saylor, the man most commonly associated with In School Suspension (ISS). Many people know Saylor, but few

know about him.

Saylor agrees with remarks made about how strict he is, but says, "I feel like the root of any institution or organization begins with discipline."

Saylor doesn't consider himself mean, or scary, and that's not how he wants to come across.

"I want to come across as a person who wants to instill responsibility for their [students] actions," said Saylor. He does this by his well known requirements. "I require strict regulations and then allow each student to carry them out

by his/herself. I show each student that they are capable of being responsible citizens."

Many teachers act differently outside of school. Saylor's more relaxed on the farm, but other than that he says he's the same. Although smiling isn't one of the top things on his "to do" list he explains, "I'm usually in concentration."

However, many students believe he will eventually smile.

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Rick Barnett, Barry Noble, and Tony Saylor are the individuals many RCHS students associate with tough discipline. (photo by Jessica Denny)

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