

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT



BAMBI (JACOBS) KENNEDY

Class of 2000

After graduating from William Penn Senior High School, Ms. Kennedy attended the York Business Institute and earned a medical secretary degree. She also earned a Child Development Associate credential, which led to a career as a teacher and assistant director at two daycare centers. She has since chosen a new path, currently serving as a clerk at a district courthouse. She is the mother of two children. Now 35, Ms. Kennedy lives in Mount Wolf.

WHAT DO YOU MISS MOST ABOUT BEING A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT?

I miss being assigned new books to read -- books I never would have picked up if not for them being assigned to read.

HOW DO YOU DEFINE SUCCESS?

I define success as a level of happiness. The happier you are, the more successful I feel you are.

WHY ARE YOU PROUD TO BE A BEARCAT?

Looking at what is going on in the world today, I am proud to be a Bearcat because I was able to be around so many different people of various ethnic backgrounds, religious beliefs and even languages. I never felt different or out of place because I was biracial. I never found myself in situations where I was treated poorly at school because of my race or beliefs. In today's world, your race, your beliefs, and the language you speak are fought about and judged just about every day. I am thankful and proud that as a Bearcat I had an opportunity to learn and grow without that being a concern. As a Bearcat I remember friends sharing meals I would never have gotten to try in my own home. I remember laughing as they tried to teach me languages they spoke at home. I don't think many schools have the vast melting pot of cultures as The High has, and for that I am proud to be a Bearcat.



WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE MEMORY FROM YOUR SCHOOL DAYS IN YORK CITY?

Being promoted to LTC in the JROTC department. English class with Mrs. Buckingham. She was very inspiring and encouraging. I looked forward to her classes.