



“Destinations” Interview Questions



Name: Michael Ballantyne

Destination: Brigham Young University

Career goal: Pediatric Doctor

What is your favorite subject/class & why? AP Biology. Mr. James makes the class very entertaining by incorporating stories and current events that tie in to the learning setting, making the material easier to learn.

Who is your favorite teacher & why? Mr. Eric Corgiat. He always expects the best from me and truly teaches that success comes from hard work and effort.

What is your favorite high school memory? Attending Boy's State during the summer before Senior Year. I got to learn about student government and participate in the workings of a mock society.

Who/what is your biggest influence & why? My biggest influence is David Goggin. He is a monster. He ran 100 miles in 19 hours, having never run a marathon before. If anyone puts his or her mind over matter, it's this guy. I hope I can be like him, pushing past my limits and becoming success.

What is the most important lesson you learned? You make the time for what you want to do. It's easy to make excuses for not doing something, but really the choice is up to you. Use your time for what you want.

What advice do you have for incoming freshmen? Every year counts. College comes a lot quicker than you think it will.

Why did you select your destination? I selected BYU not only because of the competitive learning environment and outstanding academic programs, but also because of the standards upheld there and the quality of students.

How did Modesto City Schools prepare you for your future? Modesto City Schools provided me with a solid educational background and core study skills essential to success in my future learning.

In what extracurricular activities did you participate (clubs/music/chorus/athletics)? Chemistry Club, Boy Scouts of America, Calculus Club, Key Club, Interact Club, Mock Trial, Water Polo, Swimming, Football, Tennis, CSF

What is your favorite quote or saying? "Don't be afraid to give up the good to go for the great." --*John D. Rockefeller*