# HIGH POINT REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

## **STAFF BIOGRAPHIES**

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# Mr. Aaron Baker Science Department



Mr. Aaron Baker

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Started at High Point in 2015

Teacher of AP Biology, AP Environmental Science, and Anatomy and Physiology.

## The Baker File:

1. Year you started at High Point?:

2015

2. Pre High Point: Education? Experience?



I have a Bachelor of Science in ecology and biology and a Master of Science in Zoology. Before I started teaching I worked as a conservation biologist and ecologist studying birds, fish, and primates in Central America and East Africa. I started teaching in Southeast Washington, DC with the Teach For America program and then moved to Panama for two years and taught in an international school before moving to New Jersey. I have taught all levels of biology, marine biology, anatomy and physiology, AP environmental science, earth science, geometry, science research, and a philosophy course that is part of the IB program called Theory of Knowledge.

#### 3. Activities with which you've been involved at HP in addition to teaching?:

- Science National Honor Society
- Science Research Club
- Key Club (beginning 2017-2018)

#### 4. Motivation for becoming a teacher?:

I love science because there's always something new to discover and learn about--teaching science gives me the opportunity to share that with my students every day.

#### 5. Favorite part of teaching?:

My students--their excitement, curiosity, and motivation is contagious!

#### 6. Personal life?: Family? Interests?

My wife and I live in Frankford with our two beautiful children. We snowboard as much as possible in the winter and I also love to surf, mountain bike, and play soccer.

#### 7. Favorite quote from Mr. Baker

"Be the change you wish to see in the world."

-Mahatma Gandhi