# Brendan Boyle

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## **Academics**

High school: Mounds Park Academy, graduating class of 2014

- ▶ Honor Roll recipient for all upper school years
- Honors track in math and science. I have taken AP Calculus, Honors Pre-Calculus, Honors Physics, Honors Chemistry, Honors Biology
- Founded and created the Mounds Park Academy Digital Fabrication Studio
  - Raised over \$36,000 to purchase initial equipment
  - Currently working with faculty and staff to integrate STEM themes and skills into K-12 curriculum and to develop engaging models to encourage new technology adoption

## Job Experience

IT MANAGER, ERICKSON MARINE; HASTINGS, MN - 2013-PRESENT

I maintain a fleet of over 15 Windows machines at one of Minnesota's largest boat dealerships. I use and am well versed in the Windows Server 2012 R2 platform, as well as most common tools for network and security management. I created and maintain the dealership's Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) program, and I am working to expand online sales and discovery.

## LEAD DESIGNER & FOUNDER, DBZ TECHNOLOGY; WOODBURY, MN – 2008-PRESENT

I am the founder and lead designer for a technology consulting and design firm. Since 2008, I have designed websites, built computers, and started brands for Twin Cities businesses and nonprofit organizations, such as SPLAT Charity.

### WEBSITE CONSULTANT, SIMDEX; MINNEAPOLIS, MN – 2013-PRESENT

I am a contract developer for SimDex, a Minneapolis based website design firm with over 250 clients. My current expertise is in the Wordpress CMS, common web standards such as HTML 5, CSS 3, JavaScript, jQuery, and PHP.

#### SUMMER TEACHER FOR MOUNDS PARK ACADEMY ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA 2009-2011

Worked closely with teachers to design a compelling curriculum for a class on website development, which taught middle and upper school students how to effectively make their own websites using the increasingly relevant language of HTML. I also co-taught classes on basic computer skills, movie-making, and golf.

### Skills

- Leadership In addition to teaching, I have co-founded two FRC Robotics teams and mentored three FIRST Robotics and two Lego League teams in my community.
- Design I specialize in both Industrial and Marketing aspects of design. I have created intricate models in CAD software for real world use (Autodesk Inventor), and consulted for others in design efficiency and optimization. For marketing, I have designed and built four major websites from the ground up, that generate over 500 page views weekly. I have also written an end-to-end content management system which focuses on user interface optimization and user interaction. I also specialize in vector graphics design and branding.
- Critical Thinking I use critical thinking skills to solve various engineering oriented challenges that are presented in and outside of school. I highly value the scientific process, and I am always looking for ways to innovatively improve my approach to problem solving. However, critical thinking does not limit me, and I am constantly required to think outside of the box in engineering challenges provided by robotics.
- Communication One of my strongest skills that helps me succeed as a leader is my ability to communicate. I help people articulate theirs ideas in ways that are simple and easy for others to understand, and often act as a bridge to help the aspiring engineers on our robotics team get their ideas out. I take pride in public speaking and am always thrilled to answer questions on a subject about which I am passionate. I also use my communication skills to raise substantial funds for major technology projects.

#### Volunteer Activities

#### **APPALACHIAN SERVICE PROJECT** SUMMER 2012 & 2013

ASP is a week long service project in rural Kentucky, where we help people in need repair and renovate their homes. I enjoy getting to know our hosts and their unique culture.

### **SPLAT CHARITY SPRING 2011-PRESENT**

I designed and coded the website for the charity of a fellow classmate to help him get the word out to potential sponsors. It can be found at http://splatcharity.org.

#### WOODBURY DAYS SUMMER 2012 & 2013

I led the demonstration of last year's FRC robot before hundreds of spectators in my city, helping to inform and inspire children and adults about science and technology.

## **Extracurricular Activities**

- Football Three years (Captain & Lettered)
- Baseball Seven years (Lettered)
- Quizbowl Four years (Lettered)
- Robotics Seven years (Captain & Lettered)
- Theater Six Years (Lettered and inducted into the International Thespian Society)
- Yearbook Three years (Tech Editor for a nationally award winning earbook)

# **Technical Experience**

- Website Development (Over 10 professional deployments)
  - Design Languages (HTML, CSS, Bootstrap)
  - ▶ Backend Development (PHP, MySQL, Wordpress CMS, Node.js)
  - JavaScript (with jQuery)
- Programming
  - Desktop (Mac Apps, Windows 8 Apps, Java Applications)
  - Mobile (iOS, Android)
- ▶ Design (Experience with end to end solutions from initial design to fabrication)
  - CAD (PTC Creo, Autodesk Inventor)
  - ▶ Adobe Creative Suite (Illustrator, Photoshop, Premiere Pro, After Effects)