

# memo

To: Alicia Kimbell, University Senate Staff Subcommittee  
From: Darrell Eddy  
CC: Louisiana Tech University Senate Members  
Date: 4-29-2019  
Re: 2019 Unclassified Staff Loyalty Award

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Comments: Thank you for nomination me for the 2019 unclassified staff loyalty award. For over 21 years, I've served the Louisiana Tech University community as an information technology professional. Not only, but I've been a mentor, confidant, shoulder to cry on, and I've heard that I make a pretty good smoked brisket. I like solving problems and finding new ways to engage the faculty, staff, and students. Louisiana Tech is a great place to work, because of the people that I interact with every day. From the President to the custodial staff, you will find people that know me as someone who is approachable and loyal. Were it not for the great people of this school, I could not do what I do without their help. I also contribute to the foundation because I believe in Louisiana Tech University.



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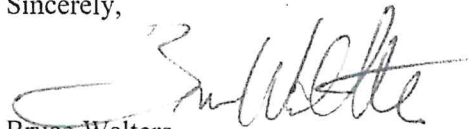
To whom it may concern:

I would like to extend my support of Darrell Eddy's nomination for the Senate Loyalty Award for Unclassified Staff. In my approximately nineteen years on this campus, I have had many opportunities to observe as well as benefit from Darrell's efforts in my capacity as a management professor. Darrell has an extremely busy agenda, and yet is always willing to "go the extra mile" in times of faculty members' perceived crises. I am a prime example, exemplified by numerous calls for help when my graduate class or senior capstone begins and I have trouble with the technology. He comes to the rescue with a smile.

Darrell's loyalty to this institution is without question. I am personally aware of numerous opportunities he has been offered to go elsewhere, but he has foregone those opportunities and remained loyal to Louisiana Tech University. His connection with Tech is apparent as well based on his extensive participation in university community events such as tailgates and student visits, and parent information sessions.

Darrell is also a genuinely first-rate human being and I consider him a good friend. Based on his loyalty to the university, his personal qualities, and his 21-year commitment to the IT needs of the university and the College of Business, I recommend him for this award without reservation. Please feel free to contact me at any time for further questions or clarification about my opinion of Darrell's meritorious service.

Sincerely,



Bruce Walters

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JESSICA GEORGE  
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April 18, 2019

To Whom It May Concern:

It is my pleasure to recommend Darrell Eddy for the annual Senate Loyalty Award for  
Unclassified Staff.

When I think of Darrell, he precisely lines up with the principles that our university stands upon - the principles of being kind, caring and committed. With over 20 years of service to our university, Darrell has been instrumental in shaping the culture, values, and traditions we celebrate in our College. A reflection of his work ethic, dependability, and professionalism are woven in to our very core. As new professors, instructors, staff members, and students are welcomed in to our college, and the baton is passed, Darrell's commitment has remained constant. He has impacted many generations through his service. He is a supportive colleague, an inspiring supervisor, and an instrumental piece of the College of Business.

It is for these reasons that I can wholeheartedly recommend him for this award. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Jessica George  
Director of Student Services and Placement  
College of Business  
Louisiana Tech University

**Daniel Schales**

Interim Director  
Infrastructure & IT  
Louisiana Tech University

April 19, 2019

**University Senate**

Loyalty Award Committee

Dear Members of the University Senate,

It was with great pleasure that I heard that Darrell Eddy has been nominated for the 2019 University Senate Loyalty Award for unclassified employees as Darrell is truly deserving of such an honor. I have known Darrell for over 20 years from the time he first began at Tech in the university's Technical Services department. It was here that he first showed his IT skills and promise. His skill level combined with his dedication to the University lead to his hiring as the IT coordinator within the College of Business. As the IT coordinator within the college, Darrell provided first hand support for the faculty, staff and students. By first hand support, I mean for all things IT related. Desktop PC support, running the college's servers, dealing with network issues, display signage, security systems, he does it all. He showed his value during both the college's move into their new facility and then later when the new expansion wing was added. It was only through Darrell's countless hours of work was the facility ready for classes for the opening of the Fall quarter on both occasions. It is worth noting that the skill level and dedication to seeing a job well done Darrell demonstrated in performing all of these duties could have led him to pursue employment outside of the University setting and quite probably higher monetary rewards. However, Darrell has remained dedicated to Louisiana Tech University and seeing the University grow and prosper.

Even beyond his role in the college, Darrell supports the university as a whole. He has been the driving force behind the campus classroom video capture system, MediaSite. Darrell was essential in pushing for the implementation of the system, providing support for its establishment, and maintaining the usefulness of the system. This is just another example of Darrell's willingness to go beyond his assigned duties to support the University. By providing support in multiple colleges as well as the Shreveport and Bossier City facilities for the video capture system Darrell has enhanced the technological resources of Louisiana Tech. Additionally, Darrell has also served on multiple campus committee's steering various IT projects lending his expertise,

experience, and enthusiasm for Tech in to continued development of the University's IT infrastructure and implementation.

In the past year Darrell's position has been transferred to the Infrastructure and IT department, giving me even more insight into the high level of skill that Darrell brings to the University. Even more applicable to this award, the close contact with Darrell and seeing his willingness to go the extra mile for Tech has allowed me to see how dedicated he is to seeing the University succeed.

Employees such as Darrell Eddy who dedicate their time and energy to the University for over twenty years are rare and deserving of recognition. Darrell is an outstanding example of an employee who is loyal and dedicated to the University giving of his time and energy to see Louisiana Tech maintain itself as an outstanding university that is growing toward the future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Daniel Schales". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal line extending from the left side.

Daniel Schales