



**Alumni Q&A Spotlight – Becca Bargainer**

**Graduation year from Legacy:** 2017

**Number of years you attended Legacy:** 4 and a half

**College/university attending:** Houston Baptist University

**Year in college:** Junior

**Degree plan:** Bachelor of Business Administration with a major in Accounting

**Scholarships/recognitions/awards for college or while in college:** Founders Scholarship

**Career/future plans after graduating college:** I plan to sit for the Certified Public Accountant exam and work in public accounting as an auditor.

**Extra-curricular activities/organizations while in college:** Phi Mu (sorority), Order of Omega (honor society), intermural sports

**Jobs while in college:** Summer jobs (Tropical smoothie café, working for my mom), and working on the executive board for my organizations.

**What are you enjoying about your college experience?** I have made lifelong friendships while in college and I enjoy living on campus and getting to experience life in college. It's been a great transition learning to live on my own and take on new responsibilities that I didn't have in high school. Getting to choose what I get to study has made school something to look forward to and has made me excited to enter the workforce after I graduate!

**How do you feel your time at Legacy helped prepare you for college?** The time I spent at Legacy really did prepare me for college more than I expected it to! Being in a smaller scale school environment allowed me to focus on my schoolwork and grades while also giving me the opportunity to form close relationships with my classmates. I chose to go to a smaller university that mirrors Legacy in a lot of ways, so the habits that I formed at Legacy were transferrable as I made my transition to college.

**How was your adjustment to the college schedule based on coming from a university-model school?** The university model at Legacy is very similar to a basic college schedule. I am allowed to build my own schedule now and choose which classes I want to take, which sometimes means having strange hours in class and leaves me having to manage my own time in order to get all of my work done. The university model at Legacy exposed me to this early on and taught me how to be self-sufficient in my work so that I can get it done in the time that is available.

**What are some of your fond memories/favorite experiences while at Legacy?** I had a wonderful experience at Legacy. I was really involved in the student council and national honor society, which gave me some awesome leadership experience and relationships with my peers. I always loved Friday night football games where I could watch my brothers and my friends play, and I had fun running track my freshman and senior years. Homecomings, proms, tailgates, pep rallies, football games, etc. are all fond memories that am blessed to have from my time at Legacy!

**If you had to describe Legacy in one or two sentences to somebody, what would you say?** Legacy is a wonderful school that provides its students with the tools that they need to be successful in college and in their walk with God. The student life and family-like atmosphere make for a unique, unforgettable school experience that is filled with fun and joy!

**How does your spiritual life play a role in your college experience?** I am blessed to attend a university that values their students and allows and encourages them to pursue their relationship with Christ, just like Legacy does. I have been given the opportunity here to take multiple Christianity classes, get involved with student outreach programs, and attend weekly convocations and church services. Being given the freedom to express my faith at Legacy made me want to continue my education that has the same values, which is a reason that I chose Houston Baptist University.

**Do you feel Legacy helped to grow you spiritually and for doing God's work?** Like I said above, I am so grateful to have attended a school that encouraged me spiritually and provided a positive, safe environment for me to grow and explore. I appreciate how Legacy supports their students in their faith and I think that it is a part of what makes the school so unique. The time I spent at Legacy gave me great tools as I moved into the next chapter of my life.

**Is there anything else you would like to share with Legacy families or those interested in Legacy?** Every student's experience at Legacy is unique in their own way. I believe that what you put into it is what you get out. At a large public school, it's easy to get lost in the crowd, which is why I chose to move to Legacy. Large schools aren't for everyone, but small schools also aren't for everyone. If you feel like you would better enjoy a more personal environment with lots of opportunities for growth and leadership with your peers, then Legacy might be the place to go. It's a wonderful school that cares for and encourages its students to be the best that they can be!

