



O'Brian Edwards

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Executive Bio

Core Competencies

People First Service | Exceptional Education Leadership | Advanced Nonprofit Leadership | Strategic Planning and Execution | Crisis Intervention | Team Building | Highly Effective Teaching and implementation of Pedagogy in any learning environment

O'Brian Edwards is an inventive and intuitive co-founder/Executive Director of Raw Academic Services Inc., where he and his wife, India Edwards, create pathways for underserved children to access equitable academic support services. Under his "Get-It-Done" leadership, the organization's first year was outstanding, providing support to over 600 students since May 2024. At least 90% of students reported increased academic achievement, positive social interactions, and overall confidence.

Prior to Raw Academic Services, O'Brian accumulated over 17 years of educational and behavioral experience in various roles, including Varsity football/strength and conditioning, Crisis intervention, Exceptional Student Education, reading, and mathematics.

He holds a bachelor's degree in social and criminal justice, a 5-year Florida teaching certification in math and ESE, a reading certification for SPIRE reading, a certification in Behavioral Health, and an Advanced Leadership Certificate for Nonprofit Leadership. In spring 2026, O'Brian intends to enroll in FAU for his master's in Education Leadership.

Outside of education, O'Brian serves on various committees and leadership boards, including the Riviera Beach Health Initiative (RBHI), a Resident Advisory Committee credited for bringing Foundcare, Inc Medical Facility to Riviera Beach. Additionally, O'Brian is President of the non-profit organization Beyond Your BackYard (BYB), which provides essential resources such as food, clothes, housing security support, and career readiness training for people and families in need.

When O'Brian isn't teaching or fighting to increase the quality of life for underserved communities, he enjoys spending time with his family, working out, socializing with friends, or cheering on his favorite sports teams.