Eric J. Baez

As the Director of The Academy of Gaming and Mobile Apps at Loften High School in Gainesville, Florida, USA, Eric Baez teaches a range of subjects including AP® Computer Science Principles, AP® 2D Art & Design, and Career Technical Education courses in Game and Simulation design spanning 2D, 3D, VR, and Augmented Reality.

Since transitioning from the private sector to education in 2018, Eric has been awarded the 2022 Catalyst for Change Grant by The Education Foundation of Alachua County for his pioneering work as the Principal Investigator on research in VR Curriculum Development with The State of Florida's Social Studies High School curriculum.

In 2023, Eric joined the Program Team for Urban Arts' National Science Foundation Grant, "Game On: Teaching The AP® CSP Through Game Design". The curriculum aims to enhance student engagement in AP® Computer Science Principles using the professional game engine, Unity and C# programming language.

In his role as a College Board consultant for AP® Computer Science Principles, Eric is dedicated to expanding his wealth of knowledge in educating teachers on creating engaging ways in teaching computer technology and job skills. In particular for students from low socio-economic and under-represented backgrounds.

Beyond his professional endeavors, Eric enjoys spending time with his twin children, who share his love for soccer, baseball, tennis, and swimming. The Baez family also delights in camping trips, exploring new destinations, and experiencing diverse cuisines.