

# Hispanic Heritage Month



## Spotlight on Randy J. Mejia (Admissions)



My name is Randy Mejia. My roots come from my parents who were born on the island of Hispaniola. My reality is it's the food, it's the way I think, it's my "I can do it" spirit. I was born and raised in New York City, born in the Bronx. My dad was fortunate to get a superintendent job in Soho, and he would fix up the apartment building I called home for 18 years.

I started my career path by seeing my mom as a janitor. When I got my working papers, I worked with her. That pushed me hard to build a career for myself. I wanted to expand my wings and fly, so I did—to Rochester, NY, for school. I lived in Brockport from 2015 to 2023. In August of '23, I bought my first home.

I spent countless summers in Lawrence, Massachusetts, and the Dominican Republic. There's something about waking up to a chicken sandwich or a salami sandwich that, to this day, lifts my spirits. Living in different places enriched my cultural identity and deepened my connection to my Latino heritage.

I am a huge gamer. Outside of the home, I'm an avid fisherman, and I love watching football—go Bills! I am passionate when I help people when I can help you get from point A to point B.

I worked at Brockport Migrant Ed and wanted to continue my help in a way that I can assist the community broadly. Admissions had an opening, and I saw the impact this office can have, so I jumped for it. I started on October 30th!

Our Hispanicness or Latino identity is our superpower. Never hide your superpower.