

ROBERT C. HATCH HIGH SCHOOL EMPLOYEE OF THE WEEK
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My name is Steven Zehren, and I am the music teacher at Robert C. Hatch High School, in Uniontown, AL. I am originally from Birmingham, AL. I came to Hatch in November of 2019.

I remember seeing a marching band on TV at my parents' house when I was very young. I noticed the tuba in the band, and I wanted to play the tuba. I thought it looked so cool how the pipes had been curved and shaped to form the instrument. When I was in high school, my music teacher gave me the opportunity to learn the tuba. I learned that the tuba is the bass sound of the band, and helps provide a foundation for everyone else.

I continued to play after high school. In college, I played in the marching band, symphonic band, wind ensemble, orchestra, jazz band, brass quintet, and tuba quartet. Today I am thankful to have a meaningful career of teaching music to my students. Three of my favorite things about teaching are leadership, setting a strong positive example for my students, and promoting the fine arts, especially music. I want my students to learn about different kinds of music, other than what they might normally listen to on their own.

In my leisure time, I enjoy cooking, hiking, running, biking, and reading. One of my preferred hiking locations is the Sipsey Wilderness, in Alabama.