

I've never realized the broken impact of siblings while attending college. My college experience has been fueled by will and determination, but all along I knew I was missing something. Something that has been in my life for the past 20 years. I realized this past week that no one can live alone without visiting their little brothers, sisters and thus the comfort of their own home. Although I can do the same, I feel that my situation is different. Feels almost completely wrong compared to other cases of homesickness. Distance is but one-boundary siblings need to further reconcile before breaking.

My situation sounds and feels different because, not only am I two miles away from my sister; but I feel as though I am thousands of students away. The reason for this feeling is not for the faint of heart. Reasons only I can process and understand. It may be unusual for me to be stating the feeling I have, but in most cases I feel as though I don't understand. This particular feeling is strong, and according to all my thoughts on the similar subject are all understated compared to this. The feeling rattles around throughout the neurons and electrons within my being. It just doesn't go away.

I talk about the feeling I receive while other students in the area discuss reasons why Tech is so hated. I feel separated amongst my friends here at BH and then those of my friends at Tech. Most importantly I feel completely separated from my sister. Just because of a simple rivalry between the only large schools in the area. Rivalry, to my understanding, pushes a school to be in competition with the school closest to them. This theory shouldn't be adaptable in every sense.

People would feel the same as I do, when they're participating or witnessing a football or basketball game. Many times I would attend a football or basketball game against Tech and feel as though it was wrong to shout horrific phrases across the room. I knew that I was shouting to the crowd my sister could be standing in. Just doesn't seem right to shout obscenities to someone who has been so close to you.

Many may not agree to the determining factor of which I'm coming from, but those who shout to the crowd across the court of field, need to recognize that everyone will perform at their best. No matter if one team believes that the other is more or less book-smart, performance and attitude toward the game will win it for the right team.

The past three years, I've encountered many different opinions and thoughts of the rivalry between these schools. Never once have I not been asked that same simple question, "What do you think of Tech?" My personal opinion is that I don't hate Tech, because too me hating Tech would be hating my sister and I cannot stand to hate anyone of the sort. So my impression of anyone who hates the Tech way of life, and the people from Tech, then they need to realize that even though the rivalry may be a joke and for fun, people still attend the school. This people do have feelings. Those of us, who are stuck in-between cheering for both teams, keep up the spirit.