Hi SBCC!

My name is Briana Bates, and I am running for the position of Student Advocate of the Associated Student Government of Santa Barbara City College.

I am running for this position because this is what I would want to have access to. I want to make the voices of every person from this school heard, making this college the best that it can be for you during this special yet challenging time of your life.

During my time at this college, I have gradually become aware of all of the amazing resources that SBCC offers its students. Unfortunately, this has taken me a surprisingly long amount of time, as most of this precious information that could improve people's lives is so difficult to access. When someone may have to sacrifice time and academic success, I do not think that a resource is accessible to everyone.

One of my main goals as Student Advocate would be to grant you the information that you deserve to have access to in a simple and functional way. You deserve to know what is happening in your school and everything that you can get out of your experience here.

I promise that I will work to both hear and represent the voice of the student body of Santa Barbara City College, but also be the voice of Santa Barbara City College to the students. Everyone deserves to know all the ways through which this school can help, but we also need to hear your voices represented so that we can continue our mission of creating a school that runs off of student-centered policies, practices, and programs and that strives to create an equitable and supportive environment where every student is not only supported in their academic endeavours, but listened to.