

**Anthony Austin** joined First Coast News in January 2016 as an anchor and reporter. He currently anchors the evening newscasts.

In elementary school, his music teacher cast him as a news anchor in the school play because she thought he resembled NBC's Bryant Gumbel and

the rest is history.

He graduated from the University of North Texas, where he majored in broadcast journalism and minored in social science.

For nearly six years, Anthony was an anchor and reporter at the CBS affiliate in his hometown of Tyler, Texas. While he was there, he worked his way up from weekend anchor to the anchor of the 5 pm news. He headed to the sunshine state after spending two years as the primary anchor at Time Warner Cable News in Raleigh, North Carolina.

The most memorable assignment Anthony's done was his visit to Iraq. For a week, he spent time with soldiers from Fort Hood, Texas as they prepared to come home. He told their stories, sharing what they were doing for the United States with viewers in Texas. Anthony was there as they returned home to their loved ones.

Outside of work, Anthony is a lover of good food and company. You can find him enjoying the restaurants and beautiful beaches in the Jacksonville area.