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Latest Activities Hires for Capital City High School Announced by Jefferson City Public Schools

JEFFERSON CITY - Today, **Jefferson City Public Schools** announced the latest activities hires for Capital City High School. In 2019, JCPS and CCHS administrators are continuing the process of hiring a full slate of head coaches and directors (Band, Choir, Boys & Girls Cross Country, Football, Boys & Girls Golf, Orchestra, Softball, Boys & Girls Tennis, Volleyball, Boys & Girls Track, Girls Basketball, and Wrestling have been announced previously). Additional announcements will be made in the coming months.

In addition to activities hires, final determinations on placement of certified teaching positions, department heads and other staff members will be made prior to the start of the 2019-2020 school year based on student enrollment, course requests and other factors.

"We have acquired coaches who have what it takes to cultivate successful academic and athletic Cavaliers at Capital City High School," said **CCHS Principal Ben Meldrum**. "We are excited to continually add staff to our growing activities team as - together - we will promote a positive vision and direction for CCHS in the areas of academics and athletics."

"We are tremendously excited about all of the new hires for CCHS," said **CCHS Activities Director Robert Ndessokia**. "We've found individuals who understand our community and who share in the anticipation and excitement of becoming Cavaliers."

Boys Basketball, Darrin Young

As the current Head Varsity Basketball Coach at Central High School and Athletic Director for the Central Academy of Excellence in Kansas City, Darrin Young joins JCPS this fall to become the Head Boys Basketball Coach for CCHS. Darrin was also the 2018 Kansas City Interscholastic League Coach of the Year and has classroom experience as a physical education and secondary algebra teacher.

"Coach Darrin Young's energy and passion for basketball are unmistakable and he is the perfect fit to lead our Boys Basketball program at Capital City". "His strong work ethic and attention to detail are going to be the groundwork for his future success," commented **Ndessokia**. "Coach Young believes in building strong relationships with his players and taking the opportunity to make them great on the court, in the classroom and in life."