



Central Catholic Names Alum Patrick Chapman '09 Athletic Director

Chapman takes over for Laura Jaeger who had served in the role for more than a decade.

June 12, 2024 (Portland, Ore.) – After a competitive process, Central Catholic High School is pleased to announce that Patrick Chapman '09 has been named Athletic Director (AD), joining the staff on July 1, 2024. This hire comes after current AD, Laura Jaeger announced her moving on from the position for a new role at Central Catholic in April.

“Under Laura’s leadership, Rams athletics found success across its athletics programs, laying a solid foundation for the future of Ram sports,” said Principal Danyelle Ramsey. “We are excited to welcome Patrick back to campus to pick up the reins and continue building a legacy of strong student-athletes, and championship athletic programs.”

Patrick comes to Central Catholic after serving as the Athletic Director at Valley Catholic High School in Beaverton. Prior to being named AD in 2022, he served Valley Catholic as the Assistant AD, a teacher, and a Boys Basketball Coach. Under his leadership as AD, he oversaw 19 varsity teams supporting the athletes and coaches in the growth of the program. His work helped lead Valley Catholic’s athletic department to the 2023 OSAA Cup, which recognizes sportsmanship, academic, and athletic accomplishments for the athletics department as a whole.

“I am humbled and ecstatic to be returning home to Central Catholic in this capacity,” Patrick said. “It is a dream come true to take on this role—I look forward to collaborating across the school and broader community to ensure a seamless transition and a championship athletics program.”

He holds a Bachelor of Science in Secondary Education with an endorsement in History, as well as a Master of Education with ESOL Endorsement and Administrative Licensure all from the University of Portland. While a student at Central Catholic he was a team manager for Boys Basketball, was an ultimate Rams fan as a member of the “Bleacher Bums,” and received one of the school’s highest honors, the Archbishop Howard Christian Service Award.

Central Catholic’s Athletic Director is responsible for building on and growing our championship athletic programs by leading, innovating, and inspiring a positive culture. In addition, the Athletic Director is responsible for the administration, communication, and supervision of Central Catholic’s participation in the OSAA, Mount Hood Conference. The Athletic Director is a positive and visible presence in the Central Catholic community, actively engaging in the life of the school and serving as a campus ambassador for visiting teams and their families.

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