

**Wake County
Board of Education**
CHIEF OF SCHOOLS

PRECIS

Subject

NAMING OF THE COUGAR STADIUM FIELD AT APEX HIGH SCHOOL

Department and/or Board Staff Liaison Present

Jonathan Enns, Central Area Superintendent

Elaine Hofmann, Principal - Apex High School

Main Points

It is with overwhelming enthusiasm that we support naming Apex High School's field the Kevin E. Todd Field at Cougar Stadium in honor of our former and much beloved soccer coach, Coach Todd.

Legendary Coach Kevin Todd's coaching career at Apex High School spanned 29 years from 1991-2020. Coach Todd is a two-time "State Coach of the Year" selection and, during his tenure, he won 11 conference championships in men's soccer and 15 conference championships in women's soccer. On top of this, his men's team won the Wake County Cup in 2015. A remarkable feat which very few coaches anywhere in high school can match, Coach Todd won a state championship in both men's soccer in 2005 and another State Championship in women's soccer in 2007. He was then selected as head coach in the North Carolina vs. South Carolina Women's All-Star Game in 2008.

Aside from the above-mentioned accolades, it's the positive relationships Coach Todd fostered with his athletes and his students that will be his legacy. Coach Todd always carried himself with the highest character, constant positivity, unparalleled humility, and a supportive, yet relentless drive to push those around him to be their best selves. On the field, he was the epitome of sportsmanship, beloved by his own team, opposing teams, and officials as well. Over the years, opposing coaches came to view him not just as a competitor, but as a friend.

Coach Todd will always be remembered by the Apex community as a champion coach. He was a mentor, respected classroom teacher, and friend who always made you feel like it made his day to speak to you. Coach Todd established the winning traditions of CAT soccer while being relentlessly positive and uplifting. As Coach Todd would often say, "Let's make it a great day!"

Fiscal Implications

Any fiscal implications outside the current scope of work for the WCPSS track renovation will be funded by the Apex HS Athletic Booster Club (Cougar Club) from private donations

Savings

N/A

Recommendation for Action / Next Steps

Staff is requesting Board approval.