



Kentucky High School Athletic Association

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ANGELA PASSAFIUME NAMED ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER

LEXINGTON, Ky. – Angela Passafiume, a native of Louisville, has been named to fill the vacant Assistant Commissioner position on the KHSAA staff and will begin in mid-July, Commissioner Julian Tackett announced on Wednesday.

Passafiume brings a wealth of athletic administration, event management and officiating experience to the position. A 1994 graduate of the University of Louisville with a Bachelor of Science in Sport Administration, Passafiume began her career with the Jefferson County Metro Parks and Recreation Department where she performed a variety of roles from Aquatics and Track Club assistant to Recreation Assistant. From 1997-2001 she served as Supervisor of Recreation Programs for the JCMP, where she supervised 50 employees and built programs from the ground up, including athletic programs and leagues and was responsible for a \$116,000 annual budget and a \$1.6 million community center.

Passafiume also worked as a basketball official and was a member of the Kentuckiana Basketball Officials Association from 1993-2002.

"It is an honor to join the outstanding group of professionals at the KHSAA. I am very excited about my new role in high school athletics," said Passafiume. "My passion for children and sports has led me on a very exciting and rewarding career path thus far, and I feel that in becoming Assistant Commissioner I can only further my dedication to the young people in the Commonwealth. I want to assist in carrying out the mission of the Association by educating young people through sport."

Passafiume joins the Association after most recently serving as athletic director of Assumption High School since 2003. During that time she oversaw 15 varsity sports, more than 50 coaches and all athletic facilities. She managed numerous district tournaments in a variety of sports for the KHSAA and for the past five years also served as director of the state field hockey tournament, a non-KHSAA sanctioned championship event, as well as its assistant commissioner and rules interpreter for the sport.

Prior to her duties at Assumption, Passafiume served as athletic director, head girls basketball and head volleyball coach at Walden from 2001-03.

"Angela's combination of event organization and management, officiating experience, and her successful coordination of a large scale athletic program make her an ideal candidate," said Tackett. "Those experiences along with an enthusiastic attitude and diligent work ethic make her a tremendous addition to the administrative team at the KHSAA."

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About the Kentucky High School Athletic Association

The Kentucky High School Athletic Association was organized in 1917 and is the agency designated by the Kentucky Department of Education to manage high school athletics in the Commonwealth. The Association is a voluntary nonprofit 501 3(c) organization made up of 280 member schools both public and private. The KHSAA sanctions state championships in 19 sports, licenses and trains over 3,900 officials, provides catastrophic insurance for its member school student athletes as well as overseeing coaching education and medical symposium programs.