## WELCOME COACH BROWN



# COACHING EXPERIENCE

Coach Brown started his coaching career at Harper College in 2015 and worked with distance, sprints, jumps, and occasionally throws. He spent two years at Harper College and then moved to Buffalo Grove High School where he has been coaching sprints/jumps the last two years. He joined the staff at Wheeling in the fall of 2022 as an assistant cross country coach. Coach Brown is excited to take over the girls cross country program this summer and looks forward to the fall season. His favorite part of coaching is getting to see the joy in kids experiences and see the new heights kids are able to reach in the classroom, on the field, the track, the course, etc. His goal is for everyone to have a good time and push themselves along the way.

In high school, Coach Brown competed as a distance runner in the fall and a sprinter/jumper during the spring. He describes himself as a very shy kid early on in high school. Joining both the cross country and track teams helped open up his options and experiences socially. His coaches were able to balance working hard and having fun. Being a part of both teams helped push Coach Brown to reach new heights on the course, the track, and even in the classroom. Athletics helped him find a close group of friends and people that he still considers family today. Coach Brown went on to compete at Harper College as a Javelin thrower for two years. Upon competition of his athletic career, he wanted to give back and become involved in coaching. His goal is to provide a fun experience with great opportunities for future athletes just like his coaches did for him. Coach Brown and his fiance Nicole got engaged last summer and they enjoy spending time with their dogs, Harvey and Savannah.



## WELCOME COACH BRAASE!

Kellie Braase has been selected to take over the girls basketball program at Wheeling High School. Kellie is a 2012 Wheeling graduate. She was an allconference volleyball player basketball player at WHS. On the basketball court, she was part of two MSL conference championships, two sectional titles, and in 2009, a 3rd place state finish. Kellie played college basketball at Cornell College where she was a four-time Academic All-Midwest Conference selection, two-time Midwest Conference Regular Season Champion, NCAA Division III Tournament Qualifier, Cornell First-year Female Athlete of the Year, record holder for most assists in a game (12), and record holder for most assists in a season (116)



Coach Braase is looking forward to reconnecting with her former Holmes students and creating new connections with the rest of the student body as well as creating impactful memories for our female basketball athletes. Kellie has been teaching for five years at Holmes Middle School and coaching basketball and volleyballl at both the middle school and high school level. She and her husband Justin are enjoying being parents to their young son Graham.





### WELCOME COACH MOODY

Coach Moody grew up in Wynne, Arkansas where he played football and competed in track and field. Football was his passion and he was part of a great program led by Hall of Fame coach Don Campbell. During his high school career, his teams won 39 games over four years, 3 conference championships, a 2004 Arkansas 4A State Championship, and appearances in the state playoff semi-finals in 2005 and 2006. Shortly after graduation, Coach Moody joined the Navy and served for many years. After completing his military career, he began coaching and earned his bachelor's degree in economics.and his Master's in Secondary Education from Loyola University Chicago.

#### **COACHING CAREER**

Coach Moody began at Army and Navy Academy in Carlsbad, CA. In that time, his teams went from from 1-9 to 7-4 and made two CIF-San Diego playoff appearances from 2015-2018. He then coached at Lincoln Park High School in Chicago where his team was able to qualify for the IHSA state playoffs. Next he coached one season at Maine West where the team won the CSL north and qualified for the IHSA playoffs. Coach Moody has been at Lake Park High School since 2020 as a business teacher, and during that time he has served as the special teams coordinator, coached the defensive line, and has coached running backs. Coach Moody and his fiance Emma, along with their dog Zeus, have lived in the Chicagoland

area since 2018

