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**Marcinko is new basketball head coach at Highland**



MEDINA, OHIO (8/23/10) – Highland Local School District and Highland High School are pleased to welcome Michael A. Marcinko as the new Head Coach of the Varsity Boy's Basketball Team. Marcinko comes to Highland after serving four seasons as an assistant men's basketball coach at Hiram College. He was previously a head men's basketball coach, an assistant men's soccer coach and an instructor in the Health & Physical Education Department at Hiram from 1991-94.

Marcinko earned his Bachelor's degree in Business and Education from Bluffton College and later earned a Master's degree in Education and Counseling at Heidelberg College. Prior to Hiram, Marcinko has served as a guidance counselor at the Cuyhoga Valley Career Center for over 10 years and continues that work today. He is responsible for 26 programs ranging from college planning to financial aid assistance totaling over 400 students.

In addition to previously coaching at Hiram, he has held numerous coaching positions including most recently serving as an assistant coach and interim head coach at Case Western Reserve University from 1998-2001. Marcinko also was the head basketball coach/guidance counselor at Orange High School (1994-98) and assistant men's basketball coach, head women's soccer coach and instructor at Heidelberg College (1987-91).

"We are excited to have Coach Marcinko as our new boy's basketball coach," said Highland Athletic Director Curt Johansen. "He brings head coaching experience from both the college and high schools levels and we look for the program's continued growth and success under Coach Marcinko's leadership."

Marcinko currently resides in Independence, Ohio.

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