



QUINCY HIGH SCHOOL

Blue Devil Basketball

Blue Devil Basketball fans and supporters,

Earlier this summer I made an extremely selfish decision that could have had a negative effect on others and myself. I decided to operate a vehicle under the influence of alcohol putting others and myself in danger.

I realize the position that I am in as a teacher and basketball coach in this district is a position of leadership and integrity. I have tried to operate our basketball program on those pillars each year. When I decided to get in the car and drive, I failed. I failed my family, administration, the board, our Athletic Director, my coaches, players at all levels and the community that has supported me throughout my years as a Blue Devil.

I want to take this time to say that I am sorry I let you down. Our program is filled of role models and as the head coach here at Quincy High I know where I sit as the leader. From the time I took this position our program quote has been, "you either get better or worse, you never stay the same." I have tried to live my life by this and work towards improvement over all facets of my life. With that come barriers. Barriers that serve in the form of mistakes. Trust has been damaged, but know that I will continue to work to earn that back from you.

There will be consequences, including a suspension, that come from the district and I am behind them with that. When faced with this I said from the start that I would not fight it and try and get out of this the easy way. There are consequences to actions and when faced with them I have always been taught to own up to them, learn from them and be better because of them.

While this is a big mistake on my part, I know that I will be better because of it. I know that it will take some time but this is adversity that I will overcome with the values that my parents, family and support system have helped me hone for the last 37 years of my life. I have run the Blue Devil basketball program teaching the kids that mistakes that we make can help build us up and make us and our team/program stronger. I am positive that this experience will help me be a better teacher, coach and person in the long run.

Again, I want to apologize for making a very selfish decision that could have put the lives of other people and myself in danger. This is a decision that does not only reflect on me, but our program and the people who have supported our program for many years. I hope that I will be able to earn your trust and respect back.

Sincerely,

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