



# Missouri State High School Activities Association

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## **Fessler and Marsh added to MSHSAA Staff**

**Columbia, Mo.-** The Missouri State High School Activities Association (MSHSAA) announces the addition of two new staff members. Doug Fessler and Marty M. Marsh have been approved by the MSHSAA Board of Directors to join the Association's Executive Staff as Assistant Executive Directors.

Fessler comes to the MSHSAA office from Harrisburg HS, where he has taught business courses since 2006. Before taking on the AD responsibilities in 2013, Fessler was also a coach in addition to teaching. He has served as the head coach for both the boys and girls golf teams as well as assisted the basketball and baseball teams.

In the classroom, Fessler has taught a wide range of business courses including Personal Finance, Business Technology, Sports & Entertainment Management, Accounting, Web Page Design and Yearbook. He has also served as the FBLA sponsor.

Prior to joining the Harrisburg staff, Fessler was an Assistant Athletic Director at Central Methodist University for three years. He also served as the head coach for the women's basketball team and as the Sports Information Director for the athletic department. Fessler first joined the CMU staff as an instructor in the Physical Education Department.

Fessler also served as the Head Women's Basketball Coach and Sports Information Director at Dana College in Blair, Neb.

A graduate of the University of Central Missouri, Fessler earned a bachelor's of science degree in business management. He went on to earn a Master of Education in Athletic Administration from the University of Missouri in 1996, while earning a second master's degree in 2009 from William Woods University. In 2010, he completed work on Specialist of Education degree also from William Woods.

A Springfield native, Marsh comes to the MSHSAA staff having served as the Assistant Director of Athletics and Student Activities for Springfield Public Schools. Prior to joining the central office, Marsh was an assistant principal and activity director at Glendale High School for three years.

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**"The MSHSAA promotes the value of participation, sportsmanship, team play and personal excellence to develop citizens who make positive contributions to their community and support the democratic principles of our state and nation."**

Before becoming Glendale's activity director, Marsh served as principal at Jarrett Middle School in Springfield. Marsh also served as Assistant Principal for Pupil Services and Building Athletic/Activities Director at Kickapoo High School for six years.

Marsh began his teaching career as an health and physical education teacher at Glendale, where he also served as an assistant basketball coach and head and assistant cross country coach.

Earning a Bachelor's of Science degree in Education from Missouri State University in 1994, Marsh went on to complete a Master's in Secondary Education degree from MSU in 1999. He would also earn a Specialists in Education Administration degree from MSU in 2003. In 2018, Marsh completed his work to become a Certified Athletic Administrator from the National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (NIAAA). He would complete work to earn his CMAA distinction in 2020.

In addition to his daily responsibilities with the Springfield schools, Marsh has served as the tournament coordinator for the annual Pink & White Lady Classic held in Springfield, as well as the Bass Pro Tournament of Champions.

Marsh has also taught courses in Sports Management and Physical Education as an adjunct professor at Drury University.

This Spring, Marsh was named the Missouri Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (MIAAA) Middle School AD of the Year. In addition to being a recipient of the Power of One Award in 2019, Marsh was a member of the Springfield Business Journal's 40 Under 40.

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