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COVINGTON CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL ANNOUNCES THE “COLONEL ATHLETIC NETWORK”

The Covington Catholic High School Athletic Department announces the establishment of the “Colonel Athletic Network” for live coverage of CCH athletic events.

The Colonel Athletic Network will provide live HD video streaming for every home basketball and football games, audio of most away basketball and football games, as well as select other athletic events. Broadcasts will include interviews and features with players, coaches, teachers, alumni, and/or students during every broadcast.

“We are very excited about the future of the Colonel Athletic Network and partnership with BoxCast,” says Athletic Director Tony Bacigalupo. “The possibilities are endless as we incorporate live video with a student centered approach. We look forward to using technology to bring CovCath Athletics to the large Colonel Audience across the globe.”

The Colonel Athletic Network broadcast team will consist of Paul Fritschner as the play-by-play announcer, Dan Shields as the color commentator, and Drew Danneman as the student broadcaster.

Paul Fritschner has college broadcasting experience at Xavier University across a variety of sports, including Xavier baseball, women’s basketball, volleyball, and men’s and women’s soccer. This year, he served as a sideline reporter and correspondent for various sports in the Big East Digital Network. During the summer of 2016, Paul was on the broadcast team for the Hamilton Joes’ run to a Great Lakes Summer Collegiate League championship, and in 2017, he broadcasted for the nationally ranked Alexandria Aces in Northern Virginia. Originally from Virginia, he is excited to bring Covington Catholic athletic action to our fans. You can follow Paul on Twitter using @PaulFritschner.

Dan Shields has spent 15 years as a 9th Region Basketball Official and has officiated numerous regional and district tournament games. Dan was a Collegiate Basketball Official in the KAIC/NAIA and also has 11 years of coaching experience. Dan has many ties to Colonel Country. His father, Tim Shields, is a 1961 CCH graduate who now has a scholarship in his name at CCH

and his uncle, Ken Shields, is a 1960 graduate and a Northern Kentucky Basketball coaching legend. Dan currently lives in Edgewood, Kentucky with his wife Michele and their two children, including a son at CovCath. They are members of St. Barbara Parish.

Drew Danneman, son of Jim and Holly, is a senior at CovCath and lives in Edgewood, Kentucky and attends St. Pius X Parish. Drew is student body president and an honor roll student involved in many clubs and sports. Drew is a 4-year football player, 3 year track and field athlete, 1 year baseball player as well as a member of the Drug Free Club, NEHS, NHS, intramural basketball, and chamber choir. Drew will be joining the Colonel Athletic Network bringing a unique student perspective of the Colonel Crazies as well as what is happening with the school.

The Colonel Athletic Network's first live broadcast will be Tuesday, January 9 when the Colonels travel to Winton Woods to take on the Warriors at 7:30 PM. Find a link to the broadcast at covcath.org/CAN.

Covington Catholic High School is a Blue Ribbon of Excellence award winning college preparatory high school within the Diocese of Covington. It is an all-male school of 592 whose mission is to embrace the Gospel message of Jesus Christ in order to educate students spiritually, academically, physically and socially.



Photo left to right: Dan Shields, Paul Fritschner, Drew Danneman

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