Justin Herrold ('99)

While Justin devoted a great deal of time in high school to athletics as a three-sport athlete for football, basketball and track, he also had a variety of other interests. Justin participated in the art club, FHA, science club, and Spanish club. He also was a member of the Comet Tale and yearbook staff his senior year through the journalism program.

Upon high school graduation Justin decided to pursue a career in education and went on to Defiance College in Ohio to earn his Bachelor of Science degree in integrated language arts. Justin played a year of football for the Yellow Jackets, and then shifted his focus to service. While at Defiance he received the Defiance College Presidential Service Leadership Award for contributing over 100 hours of service per year. He participated in service projects in New York, NY, Washington, D.C., Biloxi MS, and Highgate, Jamaica in addition to many collaborations with local agencies on a variety of worthwhile service projects. He later earned a Master's degree from Ball State University in Educational Administration in '08.

Justin began his career teaching and coaching at West Central School Corporation. In '05 he was hired by Logansport Community School Corporation as a language arts teacher, and began his first administrative position with Logansport in '08. He continues as a Principal and Middle-Level Athletic Director for Logansport's, Columbia Sixth Grade Academy. While at Logansport, Justin has overseen the implementation of multiple sports at the middle level including golf, baseball, softball, soccer and swimming. He implemented an awards system to honor student athletes in grades 6 – 8, and also initiated a service project requirement for all athletic teams. He is a member of the Indiana Association of School Principals (IASP) as well as the Indiana/National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (IIAAA & NIAAA). In '11 Justin received the IIAAA Middle School Athletic Administrator of the Year for his district 1 region. He received his Certified Athletic Administrator certification from the NIAAA in November of 2017 after completing necessary coursework in the area of athletic administration.

Justin's heart for community service continues through his work in public education in the Logansport area. He served as the Special Olympics middle school unified track meet coordinator for seven years, and coordinated many other programs/projects such as Make a Difference Day, Live United Day, Light Up Logansport Parade entries, Toys for Tots campaign, and Hoops for Heart. In '01, Justin coordinated a charity alumni basketball game at Caston High School for the American Red Cross' September 11th fund.

Justin and his wife Alicia and daughter Alexsa reside in Logansport, IN.