



## THE PENNINGTON SCHOOL

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**PENNINGTON, N.J., December 2023** --- The Pennington School has announced that Dr. Kristin McCarthy has been appointed as the new head coach of its varsity girls' lacrosse team and Shane Taggert has been appointed the new head coach of its varsity boys' lacrosse team. McCarthy coached field hockey at The Pennington School this fall.

Prior to taking on the field hockey and lacrosse role at Pennington, McCarthy coached in the Hunterdon County Recreation Program. McCarthy coached both youth league and select team girls' lacrosse for ten years in Flemington, NJ. She also served as a coach for the Triple Threat Elite Lacrosse Club and is a certified varsity-level girls' lacrosse official.

McCarthy is an assistant professor at Rider University. She received her B.A. from Dickinson College, majoring in international studies and political science. She earned a Master of Public Health from City University of New York - Hunter College, Community Health. She then earned her Doctor of Public Health degree from Columbia University.

Shane Taggert is a former Division I Men's Lacrosse student-athlete who attended Saint Joseph's University in Philadelphia, PA, earning his B.S. in Interdisciplinary Health Services with a minor in business. During his senior season at Saint Joseph's, Taggert was a National Lowe's Senior CLASS Award Nominee for Character, Community, Competition, and the Classroom as part of the Men's program.

Shane Taggert currently serves as a tournament director and club lacrosse coach at NXT Sports, where he has coaching responsibilities for the girls' and boys' elite-level teams. Taggert also assists at his alma mater in the sports media department as a broadcaster for the St. Joseph's Men's Lacrosse program.

The Pennington School is an independent coeducational school for students in grades 6 through 12, in both day and boarding programs. The curriculum is college preparatory, with an emphasis on individual excellence, fostering the development of the whole student through academics, athletics, community service, and the creative and performing arts.