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St. John Bosco High School Names Luke Pope Head Volleyball Coach

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St. John Bosco High School is pleased to announce the hiring of Luke Pope as the school's new Head Volleyball Coach. Pope joins the Braves with an impressive background as both a player and coach, bringing NCAA Division I experience, championship success, and a commitment to developing student-athletes on and off the court.

Most recently, Pope served as Assistant Coach and Recruiting Coordinator for the women's volleyball program at the University of the Pacific. Prior to Pacific, he helped lead Long Island University to a Northeast Conference Championship and previously served as Head Men's Volleyball Coach at Ottawa University.

As a player, Pope competed at the highest levels of the sport, earning recognition as a CCCAA State Champion, First Team All-State selection, USA U23 Elite Ten Beach Team member, NAIA All-American, and NAIA Newcomer of the Year. His coaching career has been equally accomplished, helping develop NCAA Division I All-Americans, a West Coast Conference Player of the Year, and multiple championship-caliber teams.

Pope's connection to Catholic education and the local community makes this appointment especially meaningful. He attended St. Joseph Catholic School in Long Beach before graduating from Long Beach Wilson High School.

"We were looking for a coach who embraces the mission of St. John Bosco while bringing the experience, energy, and vision to elevate our volleyball program," said Athletic Director Vince Brown. "Luke's passion for teaching the game, developing student-athletes, and building meaningful relationships made him the clear choice. We are thrilled to welcome him to the Bosco family."

Pope inherits a program with tremendous momentum following a standout 2026 season that culminated in a trip to the CIF Southern Section Division 3 Finals. The team returns a talented core of experienced players, including All-CIF selections Austin and Franklin Shiekh, providing a strong foundation as the program enters a new chapter.

Coach Pope has already hit the ground running and will host a Youth Volleyball Camp on campus at St. John Bosco High School for sixth, seventh, and eighth graders. The two-day camp will run from July 23-24 (9am-12pm). For more information and registration, please visit www.bosco.org/volleyball.