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Bishop Ward Head Football Coach Named

December 1, 2018 (Kansas City, Kan.) – The Bishop Ward High School Athletic Department is proud to announce that Mr. Greg Duggins, will be taking over as Head Coach for the Cyclone Football Team for the 2019-2020 season.

Head Coach Eddie Minor has decided to explore other coaching opportunities. Mr. Mike Beaven, Bishop Ward Athletic Director said, “I appreciate Coach Minor’s efforts with the Football program this past fall. He and his staff were very goal-directed. His caring spirit, faith-filled lessons, and support of his players, team, and the program were set in place from day one. I wish Coach Minor the best in his future coaching endeavors.”

Greg is a 1983 graduate of Bishop Ward High School. Following high school, he attended Emporia State University and continued his football career with the Hornets as a four year letterman and earned his Bachelor’s Degree in Education. He then attended the University of Kansas and earned his Master’s



Degree in Educational Leadership in 1995. Greg has over 20 years of coaching experience as a varsity assistant at Emporia State, Shawnee Mission North High School, and Sumner Academy. Greg has spent his entire 31 year career in education with the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas, with 18 years at Bishop Ward. His many administrative roles have included: Dean of Students, Athletic Director, and currently serves as our Director of Development. He was the Head Football Coach at Bishop Ward for seven seasons, with an overall record of 37-31. Coach Duggins was named the 2002 Kansas City, KS Football Coach of the Year. His teams made the state playoffs six times out of his seven seasons with five straight playoff appearances. 35 former players had scholarship opportunities to play football at the college

level. In addition to coaching, during his career at Bishop Ward, Greg has assisted in many stadium renovations, school improvement projects, and the construction of the Wellness Facility. He has served on many school improvement committees and he chaired the annual Auction in 2004.

Coach Duggins commented, “I am excited and honored to have this opportunity to make new relationships and rekindle others within the Ward community. I believe in these young men and I believe in the future of our program. We will compete each week and build upon the great tradition of Bishop Ward Football. This place means the world to me, like it does to so many others, too, and these student-athletes deserve every opportunity to feel the same way. There are many wonderful things happening at Bishop Ward and our future looks bright, not only on Dorney Field, but also in the



classrooms, and out in the community. As found in 2 Corinthians 10:17, 'Let the one that boasts, boast in the Lord.' I can boast that the tradition that makes Bishop Ward SPECIAL continues on. Go OnWARD Black and White!"

Mr. Beaven said, "I am very enthusiastic about Greg returning as Head Coach of the football program. His dedication and loyalty to the success of students both on and off the field is evident through his deep investment in our school and our community. I have no doubt he will give 100% to the young men involved in the program as well as to their families and the entire Cyclone Family."

The Cyclones' first game of the 2019-2020 season is September 6, 2019 at home versus Summit Christian Academy.

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