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## Three Superintendents tabbed for IHSAA Foundation Board

Three superintendents of Indiana schools have been named to the Board of Directors of the IHSAA Foundation, Commissioner Bobby Cox and Foundation President Matt Wolfert announced today.

Tina Bennett of Clarksville Community Schools, Brandon Penrod of Whitko Community Schools, and Nikki Woodson of MSD Washington Township Schools in Indianapolis will each serve a two-year term beginning in June. Each represents one of the three IHSAA legislative districts with Penrod representing District 1, Woodson from District 2, and Bennett of District 3.

Bennett is in her second year as Clarksville superintendent after having served as the high school principal previously.



Tina Bennett

Penrod was hired as Whitko superintendent last September having previously worked as CFO at Warsaw Community High School, and athletic director at Prairie Heights and Garrett high schools.



Brandon Penrod



Nikki Woodson

And Woodson is completing her eighth year in leading one of the state's largest school districts having served at nearly every level of secondary education during her career.

The IHSAA Foundation was created and formed by the IHSAA Executive Committee in June 2015 to operate exclusively for the charitable benefits of IHSAA member schools and their student-athletes.

They join 10 other executives currently serving on the Board which oversees the Foundation. They include: **J. Terry Clapacs**, Vice President Emeritus of Indiana University; **Dr. Phil N. Eskew, Jr.**, retired Director of Physician and Patient Relations at St. Vincent Hospital and current professor at the IU School of Medicine; **Joseph Jordan**, President and CEO of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Fort Wayne; **James T. Morris**, Vice Chairman of Pacers Sports & Entertainment; **Blake Ress**, Commissioner Emeritus of the Indiana High School Athletic Association, Inc.; **Jim Sandgren**, President and COO of Old National Bancorp; **Milton O. Thompson**, Attorney, Indianapolis law firm of Bleeke Dillon Crandall; **Pete Ward**, COO of the Indianapolis Colts; **Jennifer K. Wilfong**, Vice President and Executive Coach at Merrill Lynch; and **Bobby Cox**, IHSAA Commissioner. Eskew serves as chairman of the group and **Matt Wolfert** serves as President of the organization.



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### **About the Indiana High School Athletic Association, Inc. (IHSAA)**

The IHSAA is a voluntary, not-for-profit organization that is self-supporting without the use of tax monies. Since its founding in 1903, the Association's mission has been to provide wholesome, educational athletics for the secondary schools of Indiana. Its 410 member high schools - public, institutional, parochial and private - pay no annual membership fee or incur entry fees to play in the Association's tournaments. A state tournament series is conducted annually in 22 sports, 10 for girls, 10 for boys and two co-ed (unified flag football and unified track and field). A 19-person board of directors, elected by member school principals, governs the organization.