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AKRON SCHOOLS NAMES GERSTUNG INTERIM ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

AKRON, NEW YORK (December 23, 2020) – Akron Schools has named Mr. Justin Gerstung as the interim athletic director following approval by the Akron Board of Education at the December 16, 2020 regular business meeting. Mr. Gerstung, a middle school social studies teacher and coach at Akron Schools, will serve the district as the athletic director in a part-time capacity. He takes over the duties from Mr. Stephen Dimitroff who was the assistant high school and middle school principal and athletic director since fall of 2012 before being named interim high school principal in August 2020.

Mr. Gerstung is an ACS alumnus of the Class of 1998. He has been teaching seventh grade social studies at Akron Middle School since 2002 and has coached students at the junior varsity and varsity levels for basketball, football and cross-country during the course of his career at ACS. With four children of his own, he has also coached for Akron Sports, Inc. and Akron Soccer League, both local club sports organizations.

“Mr. Gerstung brings a wealth of experience in Akron athletics to this position, along with a true passion for developing well-rounded student athletes,” said Superintendent Patrick D. McCabe. “His background in teaching, coaching, and appreciation for our community values will serve our program well.”

Athletic directors across New York State have been challenged during 2020 by the COVID-19 pandemic, which has forced regulation to reduce or eliminate inter-scholastic competition for many sports teams beginning last March when schools abruptly shut down. Although some sports teams were allowed to compete during the 2020 fall season, currently, the winter season for low and moderate risk sports at Akron (swimming) has been delayed until January 18, 2021.

For more information about the athletic department at Akron Schools, please visit www.akronschoools.org/athletics.