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AMHS Welcomes Coach Andrew Rusciolelli back as our Raptor Varsity Baseball Coach!

Raised in Northern Virginia, Coach Rush moved south in 2002 to begin his teaching career at North Charleston High School. He served as a coach, teacher, and assistant principal at North Charleston and Stall High Schools before joining the AMHS faculty in 2012. After coming to AMHS, Coach Rush worked tirelessly to develop a strong Raptor baseball program. Coach Rush has served as both the Raptor assistant athletic director and athletic director. AMHS is thrilled to welcome Coach Rush back to the team that he built and nurtured after a well deserved hiatus to spend some time with his family.



In thinking about what coaching means to him Mr. Rusciolelli reflected, "It's all about the ABC's. If we can help students learn to be accountable and attentive, to use baseball behaviors, and to be competitive then they will be successful at this game."

A lifelong athlete, Coach Rush has played and coached baseball, basketball, and football during his career. His previous Raptor baseball teams have reached the playoffs each of the eleven years he coached them, with one team reaching the district finals. In thinking about the game Coach Rush remarked, "It's not about what an individual player does in the moment, the inning, the game, or during the season. Baseball is about enjoying the contributions everyone makes toward the game." We are looking forward to that spirit of enthusiasm and love of the game as a natural by-product for our student athletes.

Our longtime athletic director, Sharon Williams said, "Mr. Rusciolelli is very dependable, the students love him as a coach. Coach Rush is not only an excellent coach, he is also a natural teacher and a great person." Incoming athletic director Raymond Knauer is also familiar with Mr. Rusciolelli and added, "Coach Rush brings a wonderful attitude and infectious enthusiasm to everything he does which makes everyone want to hear more of what he has to say."

Please join me in welcoming Coach Andrew Rusciolelli back to the AMHS dugout!