# **Covington Independent Public Schools**

Recommended Appointees to the Covington Recreation Committee

#### **Bradie Bowen**

With over 20 years in education, including as Holmes Middle School assistant principal and a leader in the Covington Education Association, Bradie brings deep institutional knowledge. As a Housing Authority commissioner, she connects youth programming with housing and infrastructure needs. Her background ensures equity and systems thinking are central to our work.

## **Jacob Counts**

A Holmes High School graduate and former Paralympian, Jacob founded the Cincinnati Dragons to provide adaptive sports opportunities. Now serving as Adaptive Athletics Coordinator at UC, he brings unmatched experience in inclusion, accessibility, and building successful programs for youth with disabilities.

#### Celeste Hill-Brockett

A Holmes High School alumna, Celeste played Division I basketball at Old Dominion University and went on to a successful professional playing career. She has also coached at both the high school and college levels. Celeste brings deep experience in athletic development, mentorship, and a strong commitment to empowering youth through sports.

### **David Reeves**

As President of the Bengal Tigers Youth Football and Cheerleading organization and a Holmes graduate, David leads one of Covington's largest youth sports programs. He brings direct operational experience and community trust, key for scalable and sustainable recreation.

### **Colton Schrader**

Club Director of the Chase & Cole Fischer Boys & Girls Club in Covington, Colton brings experience managing after-school and summer programming. His role equips him with insight into funding, curriculum, and structured enrichment for youth.

### **Stacie Strotman**

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A Holmes graduate and former Director of Family Engagement for the district, Stacie now leads Partners for Change. She brings strategic oversight, coalition-building skills, and experience aligning community partners with measurable outcomes.

## **Summary Recommendation**

These six appointees provide a strong mix of education, inclusivity, youth sports expertise, and community systems insight.

Together, they will:

- Ensure equitable access to recreation opportunities
- Represent Covington's diverse youth and families
- Build strategic, sustainable programs that meet community needs