

Jefferson County Public Schools

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September 8, 2025

Jefferson County Public Schools Board of Education:

During my short tenure as Principal of Eastern High School, I have heard numerous stories about the incredible work Chris Bonham has done for our Athletic Department and Soccer Program over the past twenty-five years.

He has not only announced all of our soccer games during that time but has also volunteered countless hours to ensure that our press box and soccer stadium are the nicest in Louisville. His unwavering dedication and commitment to our school community are truly exemplary.

It is without hesitation that I recommend we name the soccer field press box in his honor.

Sincerely,

Chris Collins

Executive Principal

Eastern High School

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Septembet 5th, 2025

To the Jefferson County Board of Education:

I am writing to you as Athletic Director of Eastern High School to propose a well-deserved honor for Chris Bonham. I've seen firsthand the countless hours people put in behind the scenes, and Chris's commitment is in a class of its own.

For over 25 years, Chris has been the public address announcer for our soccer programs. He has also filled in for baseball, basketball, football and several tournaments. His voice has become the soundtrack to game day, but his impact goes far deeper. He is a consistent, positive presence who has supported our athletes and coaches with genuine care.

Chris Bonham has quietly built a legacy rooted in service and school pride. Naming the soccer and lacrosse press box in his honor would be a fitting tribute and a lasting way to recognize his invaluable contributions to our community. I believe this recognition is long overdue.



Joseph R Scheper
Athletic Director
Eastern High School

To the Members of the Board of Education,

My name is Tyra Anderson, and I am proud to wear many hats within the Eastern High School/ Middletown Community. I am a 2012 graduate of Eastern, served as the cheerleading coach from 2014 to 2022, currently sit on the Eastern Alumni Association Board, and help the athletic department. In addition, I currently serve as President of the Middletown Chamber of Commerce. With this deep and ongoing connection to the Eastern High School community, I have had the privilege to see firsthand the kind of positive impact that dedicated individuals can have on our students. That's why **I'm writing today to express my full support for naming the Eastern High School soccer and lacrosse press box in honor of Chris Bonham.**

For more than 25 years, Chris has volunteered as the public address announcer for Eastern's boys' and girls' soccer programs. His voice has been the soundtrack to countless game days, but his presence represents far more than just announcements. Chris shows up with heart, getting to know the players, supporting the coaches, and creating an atmosphere that uplifts both athletes and fans. He's become a trusted and beloved part of the Eastern athletic experience.

In a time when long-term, behind-the-scenes dedication often goes unnoticed, Chris Bonham has quietly built a legacy rooted in service, consistency, and pride for our school. Naming the press box in his honor would be a meaningful way to recognize that legacy and to remind future generations of the impact one individual can have when they invest deeply in their community.

Thank you for considering this recommendation. I truly believe this recognition is well-deserved and long overdue.

Sincerely,

Tyra Anderson (c/o 2012)

President, Middletown Chamber of Commerce

To the Members of the Board of Education,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to formally propose that the press box at Eastern High School's soccer field be named in honor of **Chris Bonham**, in recognition of his unwavering dedication and over 25 years of volunteer service as the voice of Eastern High School soccer.

Chris has faithfully announced both boys' and girls' soccer games for more than two decades. His presence has become a fixture at our matches — his voice familiar and comforting to players, coaches, families, and fans alike. He has even accompanied our teams to away games, demonstrating his deep commitment not just to the sport, but to the students themselves.

More than just announcing the games, Chris has taken genuine interest in the growth and development of our student-athletes. He gets to know the players, and takes great pride in watching them improve year after year. His passion for Eastern High School soccer is evident in every game he announces.

Naming the press box in his honor would be a fitting and meaningful way to recognize the impact he has had on our school community. It would stand as a lasting tribute to someone who has given generously of his time, energy, and heart to support generations of Eastern soccer players.

Thank you for considering this request. We believe that dedicating the press box to Chris Bonham would not only honor his legacy, but also inspire others to serve their communities with the same passion and dedication.

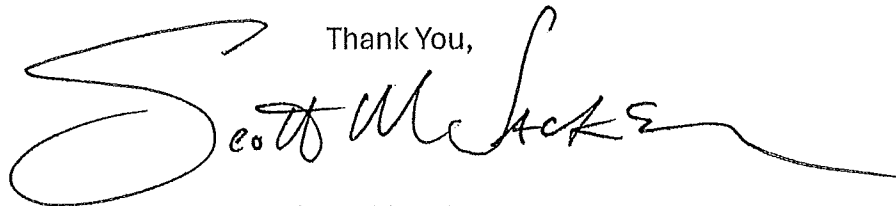
Sincerely,
Kim Jackson

Eastern High School Soccer Booster President

Scott M Jackson
209 S. Evergreen Rd.
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To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Scott Jackson; I am a proud 1997 graduate of Eastern High School. During my time at Eastern I was a member of our 1996 State Championship Soccer team. I have three children, both my boys are Eastern graduates, both members of the boys' soccer team throughout their time at Eastern. My daughter is currently a Sophomore on the Eastern Girls Soccer team. During this time, they heard one voice from the Eastern Soccer Press box, that was the voice of Chris Bonham. Chris took over as the full-time soccer announcer in the fall of 1998, for both the boys and the girls' teams. Chris is a volunteer and has not had a child on the team since 1999, that means for the last 26 season Chris has served as the volunteer announcer without having a relative on the team. I cannot think of anything more fitting than naming the press box that Chris has inhabited over the last quarter of a century in his name.

Thank You,


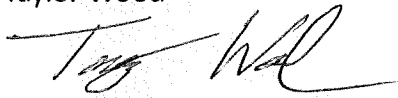
Scott M Jackson
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August 28, 2025

To Whom It May Concern,

I fully support naming the Eastern High School soccer/lacrosse game field P.A. tower after Chris Bonham. Chris has been the voice of Eastern boys and girls soccer for well over two decades, all in a volunteer capacity. We have been very fortunate to have Chris at Eastern and I think that his service to EHS athletics warrants this action. Thank you for your consideration.

Taylor Wood

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Taylor Wood', with a stylized, cursive script.

Eastern High School

Head Coach – Boys Varsity Soccer