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Veteran Coach Jim Penders Retires from Baseball Position at East Catholic

East Catholic High School

Friday, February 3, 2012

East Catholic Varsity Baseball Coach Jim Penders has announced his retirement. Coach Penders has led the East Catholic Baseball program since 1969, when he took over for Don Burns. He served as a Physical Education Teacher for the past 44 years. During his tenure at East Catholic, Coach Penders has eclipsed over 600 victories, four state championships, numerous conference titles, and placed many young men in the college ranks as players and coaches.

The presence of Coach Penders on the baseball field and in the classroom will be deeply missed by the entire East Catholic community and the high school baseball community in the state of Connecticut. The guidance and leadership that Coach Penders has given to thousands of student-athletes will be missed by all. Coach Penders will continue as a Physical Education Teacher for the remainder of the school year.

As a great leader with an established program Coach Penders has planned for the continued success of East Catholic Baseball. Former East Catholic players and long time assistant coaches Mark McMahon '76 and Martin Fiori '90 will continue the East Catholic Baseball tradition leading the program for the 2012 - 2013 season.

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