



THE BEARCAT SHIELD

“MEMORIALIZE AND MOTIVATE”

Kentucky Country Day is approaching its fourth decade in existence after adapting to the various components and chemistries of a coeducational merger (Louisville Country Day and Kentucky Home School) and absorbing two distinguished, but disbanded academies (Kentucky Military Institute and Aquinas Preparatory School). With these mergers, KCD has ripened into an aggressive academic institution dedicated to preparing and elevating students for the strongest post-secondary institutions in the country under the leadership of **Headmaster Brad Lyman** and **Athletic Director Dr. Tim Green**.

This academic promise is complimented with the commodious environment of the Owsley Brown Frazier Upper School Building, the new Fine Arts Assembly Center and the various endowments designed to retain faculty, promote diversity, indoctrinate superior technology and maintain state of the art facilities. KCD resides on a permanent eighty-five acre campus in eastern Jefferson County. The extensive KCD campus has been instrumental towards establishing KCD as possessing one of the finest athletic venues in Jefferson County. **KCD distinguishes itself by offering more fully funded athletic programs per student than any high school in Kentucky.** Country Day continues to host and record numerous, successful athletic events on the KCD campus with its twelve outdoor athletic fields, two gymnasiums, along with an strength and conditioning center and a designated gymnastics room. The construction of the Cook Indoor Training Facility, the Gardner Gymnasium renovation and the tennis storage and concession facility along with the renovation-annex to the Bauer Strength and Conditioning are the latest additions to campus to properly maintain Country Day athletic standards.

To preserve these standards, **KCD Athletic Director Dr. Tim Green made the necessary steps to properly record, preserve or “shield” Bearcat athletic feats.** In 2004, Dr. Green asked the newly established Bearcat Booster Club to publish a comprehensive KCD athletic archive intentionally designed to protect and preserve (i.e. shield) all KCD athletic records, allowing the transfer of knowledge from one generation to another generation.

The Bearcat Shield's first volume was a publication in August 2005 involving over twelve hundred hours of research to produce the most informative and comprehensive composite of Kentucky Country Day athletics. An acute attention to detail, tailored with a professional format served as a prerequisite. **The Bearcat Shield** involves additional statistical categories for every sport along with an expanded photo gallery. Initially, since initiative of the Bearcat Booster Club, the publication was available only to the school year Booster Club members. **In the fall of 2009, The Bearcat Shield was made available on-line for the entire Bearcat community and interested parties.**

Enjoy the **The Bearcat Shield** to appreciate the numerous talented Bearcat teams and its quality athletes. This archived information will serve to memorialize the talents of Country Day alumni, motivate current KCD athletes, and inspire future Bearcats. Congratulations to all Bearcat girls and boys, proudly wearing the “Royal Blue and Gold”, along with the KCD past and current administrators, parents, coaches and fans for creating an exceptional Class A athletic power in Kentucky. Go Bearcats!

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