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H-F Welcomes New Head Varsity Football Coach, Craig Buzea

Flossmoor, Ill. Jan. 4, 2010—H-F is proud to announce Craig Buzea as the new head varsity football coach beginning fall 2010.

Coach Buzea comes to H-F from Michigan City High School where he was the head varsity football coach and administrator for student services beginning in 2007. While at Michigan City, Buzea led the struggling football team to set a school record for most wins in the regular season in one year and in consecutive seasons. In 2009, the team was the first in school history to start the season with a 4-0 record and the first team to be ranked in Indiana's Top Ten Coaches Poll.

Before his position at Michigan City, Buzea was head varsity football coach at Portage High school. He was named Indiana Football Coaches Association (IFCA) Region 1 5A Coach of the Year seven times while at Portage, and led the team to six Duneland Conference Championships, five Sectional titles, one Regional title, one Semi-State title and one State Runner-up finish. Three teams (1994, 1995 and 1999) were nationally ranked in the USA Today Super 25 High School Poll.

Buzea graduated from Lakeland College, Sheboygan, Wis. with a bachelor's degree in elementary education/coaching, and has a master's degree in elementary education from Indiana University. In 2007, Buzea earned the title of Accomplished Practitioner in Physical Education, Grades K-12 from Valparaiso University.

Dr. Ryan Pitcock, Principal, is certain of Buzea's addition to H-F, "We are both proud and excited to bring Craig Buzea to H-F. Coach Buzea has the reputation of being a tremendous educator who establishes quality relationships with students. I am confident he will quickly have H-F's football program among the very best in the state of Illinois."

Joe Skowronski, Director of Athletics, anticipates a successful future with Buzea, "H-F is very fortunate to have Craig Buzea as our new head football coach. He brings a wealth of experience and football knowledge, and a never ending work ethic to our program. He is a proven educator and coach with a reputation of excellence in the classroom and on the field. There is no doubt he will take the H-F football program to new heights in the SWSC Conference and in the state of Illinois."

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