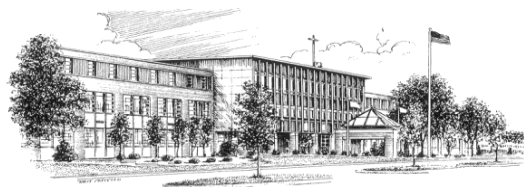


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**Padua Franciscan High School**

# Press Release

## Padua Franciscan High School Hires Mary Hyland as Head Girls Basketball Coach

PARMA, Ohio – (May 8, 2018) Padua Franciscan High School announced this evening the hiring of Mary Hyland as its next head girls basketball coach. Coach Hyland was introduced to the girls and their families last evening.

“I am blessed and excited to be named Padua’s new Head Girls Basketball Coach,” said Coach Hyland. “After growing up and attending private, catholic schools for 12 years, I am happy to be coaching at a school that holds the same traditions and values I was taught. I am excited as well to begin the off-season training and summer work to take our Padua Girls Basketball program to the next level this upcoming season.”

Coach Hyland was an assistant coach at Lakewood High School for the past 6 seasons. Hyland is a graduate of Magnificat High School (’09) where she played basketball and softball, earning MVP honors in both sports her senior season. She was the nominee for the Wendy’s High School Heisman award from Magnificat. In college, she played softball at the University of Akron before getting into coaching basketball.

“We are extremely excited to bring Coach Hyland to Padua to lead our basketball program. She has coaching experience at the high school level plus has the experience of being a Division 1 college athlete. She is looking forward to working with our girls and helping them achieve great things at Padua,” said Athletic Director Kevin Leigh ’89.

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**School Background:** Padua Franciscan High School is located at 6740 State Road in Parma, Ohio. Padua is a college-preparatory, co-educational school with ~800 students. Padua was founded by Franciscans in 1961 and bases its educational philosophy on the life and spirituality of Saint Francis of Assisi. The school’s mission is to develop the unique talents of each student, while giving them the skills they need to succeed in college and beyond.