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Memo

TO: Addison Davis, Superintendent, Clay County District Schools
FROM: Thomas Pittman, Principal, Fleming Island High School *Thomas Pittman*
DATE: October 21, 2019
RE: Naming Fleming Island High School's Athletic Field – Randy Warren

The administration and faculty of Fleming Island High School would like to request approval to name our athletic field (football/soccer) Randy Warren Field. Coach Warren was the athletic director at Fleming Island High School from the inaugural year, 2003, until his retirement in 2017. His passing in September of 2019 was difficult for the FIHS family and we would like to honor his memory and pay respect for all that he has done for our school by naming our field after him.

As the inaugural athletic director, Coach Warren set the bar for excellence at Fleming Island High School. He laid the groundwork, both literally and figuratively, for all of the Fleming Island athletic programs. He began his work as athletic director while the school was under construction and played an integral role in everything from the construction of the athletic facilities to the hiring of coaches and purchasing of equipment and uniforms. In his fourteen years at Fleming Island High School he never missed a home game (for any sport). He worked tirelessly to maintain the athletic fields year round doing everything from fertilizing to mowing. Under Coach Warren's leadership, Fleming Island High School earned numerous district and state championships. His reach went far beyond the athletic program. Coach Warren often went back to his roots as a math teacher by tutoring students who were struggling in Algebra II. Although Coach Warren retired in 2017, he continued to support Fleming Island High School. He assisted our current athletic director as he transitioned into his new role and was attending games just weeks before his death.

The work and accomplishments of Randy Warren's time at Fleming Island High School will be felt for generations to come, and it is for this reason that we are requesting to name our field Randy Warren Field.

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