



# CHRISTIAN ACADEMY OF KNOXVILLE

## CAK announces new softball coach

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July 27, 2018 (Knoxville, TN) - Christian Academy of Knoxville (CAK) has announced that Ronnie Bowling will be the new head softball coach for the Warriors. He replaces Lisa Nettles, who led the 2018 team to the Regional Quarterfinals.

Bowling has coached youth softball at all age levels for 38 years, with highlights including:

- Coached under-12 girls in the National Softball Association World Series in 1991 -- the girls placed second in a field of 178 teams across the country.
- Coached the under-12 girls White Lightning team in 2011 and 2012, which appeared two times in the United States Fastpitch Association World Series, placing second each time in a field of over 100 teams across the country.
- In 2010, coached the 10-year-old girls White Lightning team in the Amateur Softball Association Nationals, finishing 3rd in a field of over 100 teams.
- Served five years as assistant coach of CAK, making appearances in the state tournament four of those years. The CAK Warriors garnered 2A state titles in 2016 and 2017, and third place finishes in 2014 and 2015 with Bowling serving as an assistant coach. Coach Bowling has also won a variety of state titles with under-10 and under-12 girls teams.

"While I like to win, what is most important is that the girls have fun, grow spiritually and graduate as well-rounded young adults when they complete this program," said Coach Bowling.

"Coach Bowling is one of the most recognizable and respected coaches in Knoxville youth softball," said Ried Estus, athletic director at CAK. "He's been successful coaching every age group he's invested himself in. His softball knowledge and ability to develop players is unparalleled, but I'm convinced a large part of his success is due to his sincere heart for young people."

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#### **ABOUT CHRISTIAN ACADEMY OF KNOXVILLE:**

Founded in 1977, Christian Academy of Knoxville's purpose is to provide an excellent elementary and secondary school education fully integrated with Christian values and a biblical worldview. CAK serves children age 3 through 12th grade and is divided into elementary, middle and high school, each with its own facility and principal. The 77-acre campus is located in west Knoxville in Cedar Bluff.

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