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NEASE'S GEOFF STEPHENS NAMED THE HIGH SCHOOL VIDEO COORDINATOR OF THE YEAR BY THE COLLEGIATE SPORTS VIDEO ASSOCIATION

The Collegiate Sports Video Association named Geoff Stephens, Video Coordinator at Nease High School (FL), the 2018-2019 High School Video Coordinator of the Year.

Stephens was selected through a vote of his peers at the high school level to receive the High School Video Coordinator of the Year honor. He is now a finalist for the prestigious Bob Matey National Video Coordinator of the Year award, which will be announced at the annual CSVA banquet on May 15th, 2019 in Anaheim, California.

The Bob Matey award is presented to the Video Coordinator who displays innovation, determination, perseverance, and technical skill as portrayed by the late Bob Matey, legendary Video Coordinator from Texas A&M.

Stephens came to Nease High School as a kicker's coach in 2000 and has also been the Video Coordinator since 2001. He has coached 8 All-State Kickers or Punters at Nease, and 13 total All-State Kickers. He currently has 2 former specialists playing at the college level. In 2005 Nease won the Football State Championship.

Stephens teaches Television Production and Sports Media at Nease. During his first year he created a curriculum, now in its 18th year, in which students focus on the creation of highlight videos for each of the sports at Nease High School. During the 2018-2019 school year his staff will shoot over 1200 hours of raw video for multiple sports and events. "Wired", the Nease in school news broadcast, was chosen the Top Daily Recorded News Broadcast nationally in 2011 by the Student Television Network and a Regional winner in 2015 and 2017. Two Students won the Sports Highlight contest at the Student Television Network Convention in 2015.

Prior to coming to Nease, Stephens worked at both West Columbus High School (NC) and Lake Forest High School (IL). Stephens holds both a master's degree and a bachelor's degree from Mississippi State University, where he was also a kicker from 1993-1996. Stephens also played football at Bemidji State in 1992.

This is Stephens' fourth time winning this award. He was the recipient for the years 2014-2015, 2016-2017 and 2018-2019. Stephens has been a member of CSVA since 2009.

Stephens and his wife Beth have one daughter named Allyson.