



LEWIS-PALMER SCHOOL DISTRICT 38 PALMER RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL

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Palmer Ridge Football Coach Re-Prioritizes

Palmer Ridge High School Football Coach Tom Pulford is making a change. In order to prioritize his family and his health, he is stepping down from the PRHS head football coach position. According to Coach Pulford, "After 16 years teaching and coaching in D38, nine of which I have been the head football coach at PRHS, I need to step back and do what is best for my personal health and for my family. I look forward to continuing to support the program in any way I can; my role will just have to look different."

Coach Pulford's football teams achieved a 62-29 record which included 3 state championships, 1 state runner-up finish, and an undefeated 2017 season.

Pulford will remain involved with the football program. Lance McCorkle, PRHS Athletic Director, states, "While I am sad to see Tom stepping down from this role, I am extremely happy for Tom and his family. The countless hours that he has put in over the years would take a toll on any coach. We are fortunate to have Tom remain as a teacher in the school and also remain as a member of the Palmer Ridge football staff. Coach Pulford has built a lasting foundation for our football program and will be an integral part of its future."

Palmer Ridge High School will begin the process of identifying interested candidates and begin the hiring process immediately. As in all head coaching searches, PRHS will not be in a hurry to find the "next" head coach, but will find the "right" coach to lead this program.

Any media inquiries must be made through the Palmer Ridge athletic office.

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About Lewis-Palmer School District 38

Lewis-Palmer School District 38 has delivered excellent educations to tens of thousands of students for a century.

D38's legacy is showcased in our students, accomplishments, staff, and community. District 38 is Accredited with Distinction by the state of Colorado, an honor earned by only 10% of Colorado school districts.

All D38 schools offer a premier education with innovative and relevant programming for each student (pK-12). Because the path to success looks different for each student, D38's exemplary academic offerings are enriched by state and nationally recognized athletic, music, newspaper, yearbook, theatre, STEM, volunteer, and extra-curricular opportunities. D38 also offers a free, one day a week Homeschool Enrichment Academy for grades K-8.

District 38 is located in northern El Paso County and serves approximately 6500 students. We love what we do.