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The Center Foundation Announces New Team Members *Providing Dedicated Athletic Trainers for Central Oregon High Schools*

BEND, OREGON (September 4, 2018) – The Center Foundation is pleased to announce the addition of three new athletic trainers and an athletic trainer supervisor to support Central Oregon high schools for the 2018-19 school year.

Stuart Schmidt, MS, ATC, CSCS joined [The Center Foundation](http://www.thecenterfoundation.org) in the newly created role of athletic trainer supervisor on July 31. Stuart earned his undergraduate degree from Oregon State University, and his graduate degree from The University of Florida. After spending six years as the assistant and head athletic trainer at Methodist University in Fayetteville, North Carolina, he is thrilled to return to the Pacific Northwest with his wife, daughter, and a new baby on the way. Stuart is the clinical supervisor for eight certified athletic trainers in eight Central Oregon High Schools. He brings critical leadership experience to The Center Foundation's growing high school [sports medicine program](#).

Bend-La Pine High Schools have a full-compliment of dedicated [athletic trainers](#) this year, with Tessa Cashman, ATC serving Bend High School and Lindsay Hagler, MS, ATC, CSCS returning to Mountain View High School. The Foundation will staff an athletic trainer at Sisters High School with Alex Walker, ATC, Crook County High School with Michael Estes, MS, ATC, and Culver High School with Courtney Miller, ATC.

The Center Foundation welcomes our three new athletic trainers in the following roles; Shantyel Bowman, MAT, ATC is supporting La Pine High School, Shauna Ericksen, MS, ATC will be at Summit High School, and Madras High School will be supported by Nicole Porter, MS, ATC. To learn more about The Center Foundation's athletic trainers or to donate to the sports medicine program, visit www.thecenterfoundation.org.

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The Center Foundation places certified athletic trainers in Central Oregon high schools and on the sidelines of local sporting events, serving more than 3,000 students at over 760 sporting events per year. Athletic trainers provide coverage for practices and home games, on-site medical care five days a week, concussion education, testing and management, and injury prevention education to Central Oregon students at no cost to the athletes or their families.