



To improve the lives of under-resourced youth in King, Pierce, and Snohomish counties by providing access to sports opportunities in their schools.

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We asked Robert a few questions so we can learn more about him, and welcome and introduce him to our community.

What are you most excited about as you embark on your journey as the new executive director for Sports in Schools?



I am incredibly excited to have been chosen to help lead Sports In Schools at this time. Sports have the power to shape lives, instill confidence, and create opportunities for all students athletes—especially those in underserved communities. I'm looking forward to expanding our reach, strengthening our partnerships, and ensuring that every student has access to the benefits of sports participation. It's an honor to step into this role and build upon the organization's legacy of breaking down barriers to sports access. I can't wait to work alongside our dedicated team, schools, and supporters to make a lasting impact.

What are your goals, visions, and aspirations for the organization?

My vision for Sports In Schools is to elevate our impact by increasing funding, expanding programs, and fostering deeper connections within the Seattle community. I want to build sustainable partnerships with schools, local businesses, and professional sports organizations to enhance access to sports for all students—regardless of socioeconomic status. Additionally, I aim to create new initiatives that focus on mentorship, leadership development, and holistic support for student-athletes. Ultimately, my goal is to ensure that every child, no matter their background, has the opportunity to experience the life-changing benefits of sports.

Do you have a favorite sports moment or fun fact about yourself?

A few of my all time favorite sports moments dates to the year 2000, my first year of playing football. There was a tryout that then led to a players draft, NFL style - and I remember being drafted 2nd overall. Pretty cool for a 10 year old in his first year playing. Signing day with one of my highschool teammates was pretty special. Two kids who made history receiving the first ever football scholarships in school history. Last but not least, winning the Super Bowl is nothing short of feeling like you're in a movie.

Fun Fact: I'm a drummer and played in a band in High school

What youth sports did you play, and most enjoy as a kid?



Growing up I played Football, Basketball, and Baseball. Loved all three. Started in baseball where I dreamed of stealing bases like Ricky Henderson. A year later I started playing basketball where, like every kid, wanted to be like Mike. Then football came along. Barry Sanders, Ricky Watters, two of my favorites growing up. I never wanted to play any other position than Running Back.

Welcome to the Team, Robert!