

Bradley E. Lyman

Bradley E. Lyman (Brad) is a nationally recognized leader in the independent school world where he serves as the Registrar General (executive director) of the Cum Laude Society, the Phi Beta Kappa of independent schools. In addition, in 2008, he was nominated and became a member of The Country Day Headmasters Association, an organization that is limited to 100 active day school members. In 2013, he was nominated and became a member of the Headmasters Association which limits its membership to 75 active members from all types of schools. He was on the executive committee and served as an officer of the National Association of Principals of Schools for Girls (NAPSG), now known as the Heads Network. Mr. Lyman has led several accreditation committees, most recently leading an ISACS visiting team that evaluated the Seven Hills School in Cincinnati.



Mr. Lyman has been a featured speaker to organizations including the Georgia Independent Schools Association (GISA), the Indiana Association of Independent Schools (IAIS), the National Association of Independent Schools, the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE), and the Independent Schools Association of the Central States (ISACS), among others. Mr. Lyman served as president of the Kentucky Association of Independent Schools (KAIS) from 2005-2007, and in 2007 was appointed to the governor's blue ribbon task force on athletic competition among public and private schools. He was chosen as the commencement speaker at Park Tudor on two occasions, including his final year of 2003.

Brad's extensive educational leadership spans multiple decades. In 2018, Brad retired as Head of School at Kentucky Country Day School where he served with distinction for 15 years. Under his leadership the school thrived academically and financially, achieved record enrollment and successfully engaged in multiple capital campaigns. Before arriving in Louisville, Brad served for ten years as assistant headmaster and academic dean at Park Tudor School in Indianapolis, Indiana. Brad began his career in 1983 at The Savannah Country Day School where he served in a variety of teaching and administrative capacities, most notably as head of the middle school.

Brad was born in 1960 and raised in Gary, Indiana where his father was employed at U.S. Steel and his mother was a homemaker. After attending the Gary Public Schools through 9th grade, Mr. Lyman attended Andrean Catholic High School where he earned academic and athletic (ice hockey, tennis) recognitions. He graduated in 1978 and matriculated on scholarship to Hanover College. He was the recipient of the Robert Bowers Prize as the outstanding student of history at the College that year. Mr. Lyman earned his M.A. in European history in 1988 from Armstrong University in Savannah, Georgia, where he later served as an adjunct member of the faculty.

Brad and his wife Jane were married in 1983 and have three daughters and three grandchildren. Jane, a veteran educator, is completing her 36th year of successful teaching, advising, mentoring, and coaching in independent schools.