

Dr. Thomas D. Wallace  
Vice President for Student Affairs  
California State University, Bakersfield

RE: Director of Athletics

Dear Dr. Wallace:

It is with great enthusiasm that I submit my credentials for the Director of Athletics position at California State University, Bakersfield (CSUB). My background, experience, and vision for CSUB Athletics uniquely qualify me to lead the athletics program.

I have over 20 years of experience in NCAA Division I intercollegiate athletics at multiple institutions as an administrator, staff member, fan, donor, and participant. I have experienced college athletics from every perspective.

I currently serve as the Executive Senior Associate Athletics Director at Southern Methodist University (SMU) in Dallas, Texas. In this role, I provide the university with executive leadership and counsel that encompass the athletics department and the university as a whole.

CSUB's commitment to academic excellence, providing a positive student-athlete experience, pursuing competitive success, and engaging the community is inspiring. This is a dynamic time to join the university and I am excited to help lead Roadrunner Athletics into a new era

I understand the value of an educational experience that integrates intercollegiate athletics into the campus community. Together we will ensure that CSUB Athletics is a model program that exemplifies championship competition, academic excellence, community outreach, and compliance with NCAA legislation. We will execute an effective strategic vision that will align with the mission and values of the university with an emphasis on scholarship, ethical behavior, diversity, service, global awareness, and life-long learning.

These are unprecedented times in intercollegiate athletics. The issues we face are complex and wide-ranging. Our leadership will ensure that CSUB Athletics and its interests are always well-positioned. With my expertise and experience, we will lead the discussion on items that affect the intercollegiate athletics landscape. Together we will provide CSUB Athletics with a competitive advantage.

In conclusion, I am very excited about the prospect of joining CSUB as the Director of Athletics. I am prepared to bring my passionate enthusiasm for intercollegiate athletics to Bakersfield, Kern County, and the greater southern San Joaquin Valley community. I am confident that I can provide the charismatic and dynamic leadership that Roadrunner Athletics deserves.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of my candidacy for this position.

Sincerely,

Kyle Conder