

Illing Leaves Davie County

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Doug Illing, who made Davie County High football a regional powerhouse, has resigned as the War Eagles' head coach. Illing, who notified the administration on

Thursday night and addressed his players on Friday, has accepted the head-coaching position at Socastee High School in Myrtle Beach, S.C.

Illing, 49 and a native of Summerville, S.C., was hired in 1998 after nine years as an assistant coach at R.J. Reynolds. And since his hiring, the War Eagles have been a regular in the playoffs and a constant contender for championships in the Central Piedmont 4-A. He led the War Eagles to the NCHSAA Class 4-A state-championship game in 2010. The War Eagles finished the regular season with a 5-6 record before they marched their way to the state finals. Illing also coached the War Eagles to a Class 4-A semifinal appearance in 2004 and made several trips to the quarterfinals. Last fall, the War Eagles finished 9-4 after losing to Mount Tabor in the second round of the playoffs.

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