

What They're Saying About Mike Rhoades

Tommy Sheppard

Washington Wizards President of Basketball Operations and GM

Mike Rhoades is a tremendous hire for Penn State and will continue the amazing progress the program has established. He is an outstanding coach, excellent evaluator of talent and fantastic leader. His program will be outstanding on the court and in the community. His ties to the region are well-known and he and his staff will not be out worked!

Kevin Eastman

Former NBA World Championship Coach

Boston Celtics | Los Angeles Clippers

When I think of Mike Rhoades, I first think of character, class and caring. Couple that with his basketball knowledge and ability to build programs the right way. Penn State has made a great hire. They have gotten someone who is built for coaching and leading a program in today's very competitive environment.

Shaka Smart

Marquette Head Coach

Mike Rhoades is one of the finest college basketball coaches in the country. His combination of character, relationship building, competitive drive and basketball IQ is second to none in our industry. His teams defend at a high level, play with great passion, and demonstrate genuine relationships. Most importantly, Mike thrives at helping young men become grown men. Penn State just hit an absolute home run!

Jay Wright

Former Villanova Head Coach

CBS/Turner Sports Basketball Analyst

I have known Mike Rhoades since he was a player at Lebanon Valley College. He's a Pennsylvania guy and is one of the hardest working, innovative coaches in our business. I have great respect for Mike and know he will be extremely successful at Penn State.

Phil Martelli

Michigan Associate Head Coach

Former Longtime Saint Joseph's Head Coach

Mike Rhoades is "good people" first and foremost. In a business and world where the loudest voices are screaming look at me, Mike yells LOOK at US so as to keep the spotlight on the team. In awe of his dignity, class and balance, he respects the game and the profession and serves each of them as well as anyone in the country!

