

2015 DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI CIRCLE AWARD RECIPIENT



Zachariah Milch '02

Director of Outpatient Services Progressions Behavioral Health Services Inc.

Zachariah Milch '02 has dedicated his career and volunteer work to improving the lives of today's youth.

Mr. Milch is a certified Pennsylvania school counselor who started his career as a school-based behavior therapist. Today he works as Outpatient Director for Progressions Behavioral Health Services Inc.

Mr. Milch oversees all aspects of services in the company's outpatient and school-based therapy program, which provides school-based behavior therapy to more than 500 low-income students.

At La Roche College, Mr. Milch earned a Bachelor of Arts in English and played baseball for the Redhawks. During his senior year he caught the ceremonial first pitch from Pittsburgh Pirates Shortstop Jack Wilson during the dedication ceremony for La Roche's John Arnold Memorial Baseball Field. After graduating, he coached baseball professionally for the White Sands Pupfish of the Pecos League and obtained a master's in education from Kutztown University.

"My professors at La Roche always encouraged me to strive to become a better student and to work my hardest day in and day out – not just when someone was watching," he said.

Currently Mr. Milch is the head varsity baseball coach for Wyomissing Area High School and Wyomissing's American Legion baseball program. He also is a mental health professional for Berks County's Disaster Crisis Outreach and Referral Team, and serves on the board for Berks County's Children and the Youth Citizens Advisory Board. Mr. Milch enjoys volunteering his time as a basketball coach for Reading Youth Sports and participates as a holiday celebration volunteer for Olivet Boys and Girls Club of Reading, Pa.

