

# Mike Hansen

## Class of 1985

CFO, Cintas



### **Education:**

Business major with a focus on accounting at Washington University in St. Louis. I played football at Wash U.

### **Career summary:**

I began my career in public accounting at Ernst & Young, earned my CPA while there (5 years); moved to Pittsburgh, PA to work for Rockwell International in its internal audit department and got to travel the world for about a year and a half. An old Ernst & Young friend called me about a treasury manager position at Cintas. I've been at Cintas for almost 23 years. I moved into a controller position after treasury manager and spent four years in Chicago before returning to Cincinnati. I was general manager of our First Aid & Safety and Fire Protection businesses before moving back into accounting as corporate controller, then VP & Treasurer, and then was promoted to Chief Financial Officer in Jan 2015.

### **Family:**

I have been married for 27 years to Sue, whom I met at Wash U. I have four kids: my son is a junior at Case Western Reserve University and is on the basketball team, my oldest daughter is a

sophomore at Brown University and on the gymnastics team, and I have daughters in junior year of high school and 7th grade.

**Activities while at BHS:**

I played football at BHS on some very good teams, going 9-2 my junior year and 9-1 my senior year, playing for coach Jeff Scalf. Also played basketball where I got to “watch” some very good teams.

**Best education-related memory from BHS:**

My favorite teacher was Mr. Jerry Stanbrough, who taught physics and computers. Mr. Stanbrough really stretched our thinking and opened our eyes to new ideas. I always remember the first physics class where he made us guess which bounced higher, a metal ball bearing or a rubber ball - no one in the class guessed the right answer!

**A personal quote about the importance of education:**

A great educational foundation can lead to a lifelong hunger and curiosity for learning, which can then lead to a lifetime of wonderful experiences.