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## Welcome to Denver, NCAA Women Coaches Academy Class #52!

Your presence in Denver this year is historic as we are celebrating our 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Women Coaches Academy and we are building in some special touches and new traditions! We look forward to three days of transformational learning that will greatly enhance your toolbox as a coach. THANK YOU for taking the time to do something special for yourself and impactful for your career.

This Academy is for YOU, created from the feedback of thousands of other women coach Academy graduates. We want you to discover new ideas, and new inspirations, be challenged and forge lifelong relationships that will enrich your life and your career for years to come.

The 2,100+ graduates of the previous 51 classes continually tell us the NCAA Women Coaches Academy was a life-changing experience personally and professionally. In addition, WCA has provided graduates with a lasting network of support and encouragement. We've welcomed a wide range of professional experience amongst our participants – from first-year assistant coaches to veteran coaches of 25+ years.

Whether you come into the Academy energized about your career or at the other end of the spectrum—needing to reignite the flame, I encourage you to be fully present and open your heart and mind to new possibilities. Use the time to explore new thinking about your purpose, your “why”, and your personal and career values. Be intentional to seek out conversations with those who come from different sports or divisions—the depth, empowerment & richness generated by integrating and engaging coaches from all sports levels is truly unmatched. In the evenings each day there will be a networking happy hour to allow more time for authentic conversations and connections.

The bottom line is that we want you not only to stay in the game, but to love your life and your work! In this way, other women will want to follow in your footsteps and together we will **MOVE the NUMBERS** to support and increase women in coaching.

In closing, please join me in *thanking* two of my WeCOACH teammates, Whitney Showalter and Lizzy Ristano (WCA #22), for their tireless efforts to plan every detail of our 2023 Academy! Let WCA Class #52 commence!

**WeTEACH. WeINSPIRE. WeMOTIVATE. WeLEAD.**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Vanessa Fuchs'.

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