



John Hepp

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John Hepp started his coaching career in Chadron, Nebraska in 1989, coaching high school football. He then moved down the road to Crawford, Nebraska where he coached high school girls' basketball. John is best known for his work in Wyoming's 3A East Conference where he started coaching in 1991 for Douglas where he coached until 2006. He then moved to his hometown, Buffalo, where he is still teaching. In the span of 31 years, his teams have won 4 State Basketball Championships, 1 Girls Track State Championship and 1 Football State Runner-up. John has been named Coach of the Year 6 times but gives that credit to the outstanding athletes he has gotten to work with over the years. One of John's greatest memories is sharing one of those championships with his son Jake in 2011.

"Trying to thank everyone who helped me over the years is impossible, but I can say my two biggest supporters through all of these years have been my parents whom I have greatly appreciated. My children, Jenna and Jake, have been my greatest joy and my wife, Dia, has been my greatest friend and I wouldn't be who I am without any of them. The athletes, students, fellow coaches and even the referees are what has made this job an absolute blast."