

Jim Gardner

Inducted 2018 (Plaque #219)

Jim Gardner began his teaching and coaching career in Cheyenne in 1983. He taught elementary physical education for 34 years and coached multiple sports for 35 years, including elementary intramurals, J.E. Jumpers jump rope team, Cheyenne Sting club soccer, assistant boys soccer coach at Central High, assistant wrestling coach for 22 years at East High, and head girls soccer coach at East High for 28 years. Jim has also been the head women's coach at LCCC for the past 18 years.

His East High overall record is 290-110-34, including:

- 9 State Championships
  - 7 Runner Ups
- 6 Conference champions
  - 5 Regional Champions
- 56 First Team All-State Players
- 53 Second Team All-StatePlayers
  - 7 Gatorade POY
- Wyoming All-Star Coach 3 times
  - State COY 7 times
  - NFICA National COY 1997
  - NFHCA National COY 2000
- NHASCA Region COY 2010, 2012, 2016
  - NHASCA National COY 2016
  - USC regional COY 2012, 2016
    - USC National COY 2016

It is never one person that makes success happen. Jim would like to thank his mentors Dan Ley, Kosta Tsandes, Tim Dennison, Marie Welliver and Bert Bud for their support and encouragement. He would also like to thank all the players for their dedication and hard work for they are truly the heroes behind East High Soccer. Jim is most grateful for his wife Lisa, daughter Briana and son Mat for their love support and sacrifice, and for his savior Christ Jesus through whom all things are possible.