

Tom McCann – Teacher / Wrestling Coach @ Kearney High School

Competitor:

High School - Aviation High School, Redondo Beach, Calif. 4 years varsity letterman – Conference Champion, Regional Champion, C.I.F. State Runner-up Sr. year, Wrestling “Athlete of the Year” – also played football.

College - El Camino College California/Adams State College, Colorado
Metropolitan Conference Champion 2x, Regional Champion 2x, Calif. State Champion 2x, U.C.L.A. Invitational Champion & Runner-up, Cal Poly Invitational Champion 2x, Rocky Mountain Conference Champion, N.C.A.A. and N.A.I.A. Competitor, M.I.W.A.- 3rd, California AAU Champion, Olympic Regional- 2nd
Olympic Final Trials competitor- 1964

Post- College – National A.A.U. Invitational Runner-up-1974, Great Plains Champion 1974, Nebraska U.S.W.F. Champion, Nebraska vs. Japanese All-Stars 1975, 9x National A.A.U. Freestyle/Greco - Masters Champion

Team Championships – College – Member of 4 Conference Championship teams, 2 California State Community College Regional and State Championship teams, 2 Mountain Intercollegiate Championship teams and 1 N.A.I.A. National Runner-up team.

Coaching Experience – 45 years

- * Coached 3 years @ Mountain Valley High School, Saguache, Colorado
- * Coached 42 years @ Kearney High School, Kearney, Nebraska
- * 355 Dual wins - 131 Tournament Championships - Both State Records
- * State Qualifiers- 362, State Medalists- 161, State Finalists- 64
- * State Champs- 34, Colorado (2) and Nebraska (32)
- * Teams hold Nebraska record for consecutive tournament wins (17)
- * Team formerly held records for state tournament pins (19) and points (196)
- * All-Americans- 14, Dapper Dan Classic All-Stars - 2
- * 2 Dave Schultz Award Winners, 1 U.S.A. Magazine Dream Team Member
- * 21 Team Conference Championships, 14 Team District Championships/ 13 Runner-up finishes, 1 State Championship, 8 Runner-up finishes, 13- Top 3, 29 Top 10 finishes
- * 15 College All-Americans, 2 N.C.A.A.- Gorrarian/Most Falls Trophy Winners

- * Coached – First High School team (AAU) behind the Iron Curtain- Communist Romania- 1973
- * Coached – High School Exchange Teams to Poland (1976), Germany (1978)
- * Coached 4 Jr. World Teams including:
 - First AAU Exchange with Mongolia and Russia - 1974
 - Espoir (age 20) World Championships in Bulgaria - 1975
 - Espoir Exchange Team to Germany- 1977
 - Last college age Team to Iran- AAU Jr. World Team- 1979
- * Nebraska Director - 27 years - Maine/Nebraska Friendship Exchange
- * Coached many teams to Junior Olympics, Disney Duals and Grand Nationals

- * Coached Nebraska Team- Cons. Finalist in first Disney Duals- 1997
- * Coached Grand National 1st place team- 2010, Runner-ups - 2006, 11,12
- * Coached - 2012 Olympic Team member Tervel Dlagnev's, High School and College coaches- Henry Harmony - Texas Hall of Fame Coach- KHS - 1974, Marc Bauer- Nebraska Hall of Fame Coach- KHS - 1988

Honors -

Nebraska Coaches Association Wrestling- "Coach of the Year" -1998
 National Wrestling Coaches Association "Nebraska Coach of the Year"-1997-98
 National Wrestling Coaches Association "Region 6 Coach of the Year"- 1998
 Nebraska Scholastic Wrestling Coaches Association "COTY" - 1994 and 1998
 U.S.A. Magazine- "Coach of the Year"- Honorable Mention- 1998
 National Federation Coaches Association "Nebraska Coach of the Year" - 2000
 National High School Athletic Coaches Association "Coach of the Year" - 2001
 National Amateur Athletic Union "Coach of the Year" - 2010
 Nebraska Coaches Association "Guy Mytty" Wrestling Coach Award - 1997- 98
 Nebraska Coaches Association highest coaching award level (IV) - 1998
 National A.A.U. Willard T. (Billy) Vandiver - Jr. Olympic Service Award- 1990
 National A.A.U. "Most Outstanding Association Volunteer" - 1999
 N.S.W.C.A. West All- Stars Coach 1990 & 1991
 Cornhusker State Games - Male Athlete of the Year – 1997- 3 Time Iron Man
 Governor's Recognition Award - 2003
 AAU - 100th Year Recognition Proclamation for Service – 1988
 AAU – Certificate of Appreciation – Dedication to development of Athletics-1975

Selected -

Olympic Torch Bearer- 1996
 El Camino College- Athletic Hall of Fame -1990 & Most Valuable Wrestler 1964
 Nebraska Scholastic Wrestling Coaches Association Hall of Fame - 1994
 Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference Hall of Fame -1968 National Champ Team
 Adams State Hall of Fame- Student Coach -1968 National Championship Team
 Kearney High School Hall of Fame -"Team of the Century"- 1998 State Champs

Official -

Registered Official for 43 years
 Officiated NAIA and NCAA II Tournaments
 NCAA Officials' Evaluator- 1995
 Officiated Pan American Games Final Trials
 Officiated 16 years - Great Plains Open
 Officiated 15 years - University of Omaha Open
 National Wrestling Coaches Association State Representative 15 years
 Nebraska Coaches Association District Representative 17 years
 State A.A.U. Wrestling Chairman for over 30 years in Nebraska

Director -

Conducted more than 200 AAU and USA District, State, Jr. World, Regional Tournaments and clinics featuring World and Olympic Champions – Sasahara, Watanabe, Schalles, Shakmuradov, Cross, Slay, Hatta, Gable, Brands, Dlagnev, etc.

Clinician -

National Coaches Clinic – North Dakota
 Arizona Coaches Clinic

Oklahoma Coaches Clinic
Nebraska Coaches Clinic
Maine Coaches Clinic
Texas- Amarillo Boys' Club of America
Ken Chertow- Gold Medal Camps - 10 years
John Fritz- Keystone Camps - 4 years
Colorado Top of the Nation Camps - 31 years
National AAU Camp Director- 5 years 1974-78

Education -

Aviation High School, Redondo Beach, California
El Camino Community College, Torrance, California
Adams State College, Alamosa, Colorado - B.A. 1968
University of Nebraska at Kearney, Kearney, Nebraska – M.A. 1984

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Tyler 5 yrs. and Ryleigh 3 yrs.