



JAN BARKER – AMARILLO HIGH SCHOOL

Jan Barker, after 30 seasons of coaching the Sandies of Amarillo High in Amarillo, Texas, has amassed an impressive record of 1077-167. In all, she has earned a total of an unprecedented 10 big school Texas State Championships, including last season capping an incredible season with her 10th state championship. She has led her teams to fourteen State tournaments and 27 regional tournaments.

Her 1994 State Championship team had a perfect record of 37-0 followed by the 1995 regional finalist teams 33 consecutive wins for a winning record of 70-0. Her 1998 State Champions continued the winning tradition with a record of 39-0. The 2001 Sandies earned their 4th State Championship with a record of 37-2. 2006 brought the Sandies the 5th State Championship – the most of any 5A school- with a record of 45-1. 2007 brought a back-to-back state championship, and 6th state championship with a 46-1 record, which was the first 5A back-to back championship since 1984. Then in 2008 and 2009, with matching 48-3 records, the Sandies made history by winning a 7th and then an unprecedented 8th state championship and being the only 5A team to win state 4 times in a row. Then in 2013 and 2016, The Sandies won two more State Championships, to give them 10 total with Jan Barker at the helm.

In all, Coach Barker has coached 14 All-Americans, 77 collegiate players, including 34 Div. I players.

State Champions: 1988, 1994, 1998, 2001, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2013, 2016

State Runner-Up: 1997

State Semi-Finalists: 1992, 1993, 2014

Regional Finalists: 1990, 1995, 1999, 2003

Regional Semi-Finalists: 1987, 1996, 2000, 2002, 2004, 2005, 2010, 2012, 2015

District Championships: 1990, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016

Coaching Honors:

AVCA National High School Coach of the Year, All-American Coach - 2016

University Interscholastic League 2010-11 Sponsor Excellence Award

National Federation of High Schools Texas Volleyball Coach of the Year – 2007, 2009

National Federation of High Schools Sectional Volleyball Coach of the Year – 2007

Mizuno/Volleyball Magazine National Volleyball Coach of the Year - 2007

National High School Coaches Association National Volleyball Coach of the Year – 2002
Student Sports/Prep Volleyball National High School Coach of the Year – 2001
TGCA VB Coach of the Year – 2006, 2008
TAVC 5A VB Coach of the Year – 2016
Texas Sportswriters Association Texas VB Coach of the Year – 2001, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2013, 2016
Lonestar Volleyball Coach of the Year – 2007, 2008, 2009
Panhandle Sports Hall of Fame VB Coach of the Year – 1988, 1994, 2001, 2005, 2006, 2008, 2009, 2013, 2014
PSHOF Team of the Year – 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009
PSHOF Dick Risenhoover Award - 2016
Lonestar Volleyball Team of the Year – 2006, 2008, 2009
District Coach of the Year – 1988, 1990, 1994, 1997, 1998, 2001, 2005, 2006, 2008, 2009, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016
Amarillo Globe News Super Team Coach of the Year – 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2014, 2016
TGCA All-Star Coach – 2002, 2005, 2008
TAVC All-Star Coach – 2017

Boards served on:

Texas Girls Coaches association Board of Directors, Volleyball Chair, All-State committee
Junior Volleyball Association Board and President
Asst Director – Amarillo Juniors Volleyball Club, board of directors.
Asst Director - TAV Amarillo Volleyball Club
AVCA Recruiting Task Force
Texas Volleyball Coaches Association Asst. Executive Director

Coach Barker graduated from Eisenhower High School, in Yakima, Washington. She played volleyball and softball collegiately at Linfield College in McMinnville, Oregon, and played on the AIAW Div. III National Runner-Up volleyball team her senior year. She currently resides in Amarillo, TX, and will be beginning her 31st year of coaching the Amarillo Sandies volleyball team. She and husband, Danny, have two grown daughters – Brianne Barker-Groth, who is the head Volleyball Coach at Colleyville-Heritage High School in Colleyville, TX; and Danielle, who is the Head Volleyball Coach at Flower Mound Marcus High School in Lewisville, TX. And, as of May, a new grandbaby, Hayes Daniel Groth!