

Coaching Philosophy

Lincoln-Way West Wrestling is committed to developing champions both on and off the mat. We believe winners are those who lead by example and set high ideals for themselves. Our motto on the mat is: out work, out train, and out tough our competition to achieve our goals and dreams. We expect hard work and positive attitudes in all facets of life.



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Lincoln-Way West
Wrestling



“Once you have wrestled, everything else
in life is easy.”

~Dan Gable
Olympic Gold Medalist

About the team

The Lincoln-Way West wrestling team has been one of the premier programs in the state since the birth of the school. Lincoln-Way West has a dual record of 229 wins and only 48 losses in 11 years.

The program has been ranked top 10 in the state in all 11 seasons and been ranked top 5 in 5 of those seasons.

The wrestling program has won conference 9 of 11 times and won the last 5 conference championships.

The program is constantly looking to improve on previous accomplishments to reach the next level.

Meet the Staff

Brian Glynn, Head Coach

- Graduate of University of Illinois
- Member of 2005 Big Ten Wrestling Champs
- Two-Time NCAA Div. 1 All-American (6th in 2004 and 3rd in 2005)
- 4 x NCAA National Qualifier
- Graduate of Providence Catholic
- Two-Time State Placer (5th in 1999 and 2nd in 2000)
- Member of 4 Team State Championship teams (1997-2000)
- NFHS All-American in 2000
- Head Coach of the Year in 2A in 2012
- Head Coach of the Year in 3A in 2017
- IWCOA Hall of fame Member (2020)

Ricky Olszta, Assistant coach

- Graduate of Butler University
- 3 year starter for the Butler Bulldogs Football team
- "Round of 12" in the National Freestyle Open division
- Graduate of Providence Catholic
- Member of the 1997 and 1998 Team State Champions

Justin Farmer, Assistant Coach

- Graduate of Lincoln-Way Central
- 3-time IHSA State Placer (3rd, 2nd, 3rd) 2007-2009
- HS All-American, career record in HS 148-17
- Graduate of Buffalo University
- 3-year D1 Starter

Matt Ryan Assistant Coach

- Graduate of Lincoln-Way West
- 2-time IHSA State Qualifier
- State Medalist in 2014 (6th place)

Important Dates

Off-Season Wrestling Club

Wrestlers will learn the basics of free-style wrestling as well as continuing moves in folkstyle.

When: During the months of April, May, and June

Information will be mailed out for those interested

Alumni that went to wrestle in college

Division 1

Matt Ruettiger-University of Illinois

Kyle Rodriguez-Northern Colorado

Joe Souder-Northern Illinois

Noah Keefe-Arizona State

Kyle Ruettiger-Nebraska

Jake DiBenedetto-Old Dominion/University of Illinois

Division 3

Matt Quigley- Elmhurst College

Luke Keefe- North Central College

Mike Schloegel-Wisconsin-Whitewater

Amier Khamis-Coe College

Trevor Schmidt-Coe College

AJ Patteson- Coe College

Jordan Bills-Lindenwood

Robert Noga-Coe College

Payton Geigner- Wartburg College

Garret Geigner-North Central College

Wrestling History since 2010

18 State Medalists

47 State qualifiers