



Head Coach/Owner:

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Bio

Since taking over the NCCC wrestling program in 2011 as the Head Coach, Keith and the Thunderwolves wrestlers have continued to thrive. Keith was named NYS Coach of the year for the 2015-2016 season. This year, the team won their 21st regional championship with Sophomore Troy Keller garnishing most outstanding wrestler honors as he went on to win the 2017-2018 NJCAA Championship at 165 pounds.

As a wrestler at Lancaster, he held the Lancaster single season win record and was a two-time winner of the Empire State Games silver medalist. An injury after high school kept him from continuing to wrestle in college.

Keith started his coaching career in 1997 as Assistant Coach at his alma mater, Lancaster High School. In just seven years he helped Lancaster win seven ECIC Division I Championships and place 2nd in New York State.

After a successful seven years as an Assistant Coach at Lancaster, Keith landed his first head coaching job at nearby East Aurora High School. In five years as the Head Coach at East Aurora, he coached his team to three ECIC Division III Championships and a Section VI title in 2008.

Keith's success at East Aurora landed him the Head Coaching job at Iroquois High School where he added two more ECIC titles to his resume, and a second Section VI Championship in 2011. He also was awarded Coach of the Year honors three times in his seven years as a head coach. Along with all the athletic success as Head Coach at East Aurora and Iroquois, Keith stressed an importance of academic success to his players as well. He coached six NYS All-Academic teams, including five in five years at East Aurora.

Throughout his time coaching at the high school and collegiate level, Keith has been a fixture in the Western New York youth wrestling community through Cobra Wrestling Academy. Cobra wrestlers of all ages continue to see the benefits Keith's coaching influences both on and off the mat.

Keith earned a Physical Education degree through both NCCC and Canisius College. He is married to his wife Stacy and has four children; Joshua, Madison, Dylan and Avery.