

## Johnny Cobb ó Maverick Alumni

While I was Assistant Director under Jim Lea at the Maverick Club I started the Maverick Club Wrestling program in 1972. I was previously wrestled for Oklahoma State University before injuries shortened my career.

I started with only 6 kids and over the next several years wound up with well over a hundred kids. They won both Elementary and Junior High State team titles and we had over 50 State Champs and individual medal winners.

Took the Tascosa High School Coaching job in 1988. While at THS we had 3 State Championships both a men's and women's title, (the only Texas Coach to have coached both a Men's and Women's State Championship), 3 State runner up titles and 12 top 4 finishes. Coached eight High School All Americans ( 2 Dream Team members which is best High School wrestlers in the Nation at their weight). Coached 26 National Qualifiers, 38 individual State title's, 52 All State titles and One Olympic Gold Medalist (Brandon Slay).

I retired from THS 2008. I started the only College Wrestling program in Texas at Wayland Baptist University. I had both a men's and women's program. Retired again in 2014. One of the girls I had recruited from Katy Texas., who I am still coaching through USA Wrestling and Titan Wrestling Club, made the 2016 Olympic Team. The only Coach to have actively coached both a male and female Olympic team member.

What I am most proud of is, some of the kids I have coached who went on to be successful coaches themselves. To name a few, Steve Nelson, David Quirino, and Scott Tankersley all have won multiple state championships. All these beginnings started from the Maverick Boys Club!!!

I have been active with the Maverick ever since I joined in 1955. My Dad was one of the first Mavericks and he took me to the club as soon as I was old enough. I served as an Assistant Director, Board Member, and even Board President. Thank God the Maverick Club has always been a part of my life!