



## HEAD COACH THAD MATTA



### In 12 years as the Buckeyes' head coach, Thad Matta has guided the program to an Ohio State record 320 career wins

The 2016 Ohio State men's basketball season was the 12th for Thad Matta as head coach of the Buckeyes. He directed the Buckeyes to another 20-win season (21-14), a record streak in Ohio State history and a streak that spans each of his 16 years as a head coach, including all 12 at Ohio State. The Buckeyes have played in 11-consecutive postseason tournaments, including nine NCAA and two NIT showings.

The 21 wins a season ago pushed Matta's victory total to 320 as Ohio State's head coach. He surpassed Fred Taylor's 297 wins to become Ohio State's all-time winningest coach with a 79-73 win over Minnesota in the 2015 Big Ten Tournament opener March 12 in Chicago.

The string of 12-consecutive seasons with 20 or more wins is one of many incredible accomplishments charted during the Matta era at Ohio State.

The 2015-16 Buckeyes extended a streak of 10-consecutive seasons with at least 10 wins in Big Ten Conference regular-season competition (11-7). Ohio State qualified for the program's ninth National Invitation Tournament, winning for the 19th time in the event at home vs. Akron before falling to Florida in the second round. The Buckeyes have 27 NCAA Tournament appearances, winning its 49th NCAA game, a 75-72 overtime win vs. VCU in the Buckeyes' opening game of the 2015 tournament in Portland, Oregon. Nine Matta teams have played in the NCAA Tournament.

Ohio State ended the 2013-14 season with an NCAA Tournament bid, capping another 20-win season for Matta's Buckeyes (25-10). Ohio State fell to Dayton in the opening round of the 2014

#### MATTA QUICK FACTS

- **Full Name:** Thad Michael Matta
  - **Born:** July 11, 1967
  - **Hometown:** Hoopeston, Ill.
  - **High School:** Hoopeston-East Lynn
  - **Alma Mater:** Butler, '90 (B.S., Education)
- **Playing Career:** Played his freshman season at Southern Illinois (1985-86) before transferring to Butler, where he lettered from 1988-90.
- **Coaching Career:** Indiana State (GA), 1991; Butler (admin. asst.), 1992-94; Miami, Ohio (asst. coach), 1995; Western Carolina (asst. coach), 1996; Miami, Ohio (asst. coach), 1997; Butler (asst. coach), 1998-2000; Butler (head coach), 2001; Xavier (head coach), 2002-04; Ohio State (head coach), 2005-present
- **Assisted Under:** Tates Locke, Indiana State; Herb Sendek, Miami, Ohio; Phil Hopkins, Western Carolina; Charlie Coles, Miami, Ohio; Barry Collier, Butler.
- **Highlights:** 2001 Midwestern Collegiate Conference Coach of the Year; National "Rookie" Coach of the Year-CBS SportsLine.com; National "Rookie" Coach of the Year-College Insider.com; 2002 Atlantic 10 Coach of the Year; 2003 Naismith National Coach of the Year Finalist; 2006, 2007, 2010 Big Ten Coach of the Year; 2004, 2006, 2007, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013 Ohio Coach of the Year-*Columbus Dispatch*





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NCAA event in Buffalo, New York.

The 2013 Buckeyes used a late-season surge to come within a game of winning the team's fourth-consecutive Big Ten regular-season title. Ohio State then won the 2013 Big Ten Tournament Championship in Chicago and then won three games in the NCAA Tournament to end the 2012-13 season in the NCAA Elite Eight.

Over the last seven years, Matta's teams advanced to a second appearance in the Final Four (2012) during his tenure, made a then-unmatched four-consecutive appearances (2010-13) in the NCAA Tournament "Sweet 16," captured three Big Ten regular-season crowns and appeared in four Big Ten tournament title games (2010-13).

In 12 seasons at Ohio State, Matta teams have appeared in nine NCAA Tournaments, including seven of the last eight. The Buckeyes own five Big Ten regular-season titles, seven Big Ten tournament title game appearances, with four championships. Ohio State teams have played for the tournament title in five of the last eight years. The streak of five-consecutive appearances from 2009-13 is a Big Ten Conference record.

After posting a mark of 21-14 in 2015-16, Matta's Ohio State teams have compiled a record of 320-108, a win total which is the most of any Big Ten coach over the last 12 years. Matta's record in regular-season conference play (143-67) is second among league coaches over the last 12 seasons.

Several records and outstanding achievements highlighted Matta's 12th season in Columbus last year but success has been the norm for Ohio State since Matta took over the program in 2004-05.

Matta has done what he is used to doing as a head coach during the first 12 years in Columbus - win. The 13th head coach in Ohio State history guided his first edition of Buckeye basketball to a 20-12 campaign in 2004-05 and followed that effort with a 26-6 record and an outright Big Ten regular-season championship in 2006.

The 2007 season was even better with both an outright Big Ten regular-season title and the league tournament crown as well. Ohio State advanced to the NCAA title game and finished the season with a school-record 35 wins against just four losses. The 2007-08 campaign ended with a streak of five-consecutive victories and the 2008 National Invitation Tournament Title, won over three days at New York's Madison Square Garden.

His success continued in 2008-09 with a 22-11 record, an appearance in the 2009 Big Ten Tournament title game and a trip to the 2009 NCAA Tournament. The 2009-10 season followed suit with a stellar 29-8 overall record, a share of the 2010 Big Ten regular-season title and a Big Ten Tournament championship win over Minnesota.

The Buckeyes recorded 34 wins in 2010-11,

### MATTA'S ALL-BIG TEN HONOREES

#### Big Ten Player of the Year

2006 Terence Dials      2010 Evan Turner

#### First Team All-Big Ten

2006 Terence Dials  
2007 Greg Oden, Mike Conley, Jr.  
2008 Jamar Butler  
2009, 2010 Evan Turner  
2011, 2012 Jared Sullinger  
2013 Deshaun Thomas, Aaron Craft  
2015 D'Angelo Russell

#### Big Ten Freshman of the Year

2007 Greg Oden      2011 Jared Sullinger  
2009 William Buford      2015 D'Angelo Russell

#### Big Ten Defensive Player of the Year

2007 Greg Oden  
2012, 2014 Aaron Craft

#### Big Ten 6th Man of the Year

2007 Daequan Cook      2011 Aaron Craft  
2009 B.J. Mullens

#### Big Ten Coach of the Year

Thad Matta, 2006, 2007, 2010

#### All-Americans (AP, USBWA, NABC, TSN)

2007 Greg Oden, 1st team AP, 2nd team-USBWA, NABC, The Sporting News  
2009 Evan Turner, Honorable Mention AP  
2010 Evan Turner, 1st Team-AP, USBWA, NABC, The Sporting News  
2011 Jared Sullinger, 1st Team-AP, USBWA, NABC, The Sporting News  
2012 Jared Sullinger, 1st Team-AP, USBWA, NABC, The Sporting News  
2013 Deshaun Thomas, 2nd Team-The Sporting News, 3rd Team-AP, NABC  
2015 D'Angelo Russell, 1st Team-AP, USBWA, NABC, The Sporting News

### NBA DRAFT PICKS

2007 **Greg Oden** ..... 2007  
Portland Trail Blazers ..... 1 (1)  
**Mike Conley Jr.** ..... 2007  
Memphis Grizzlies ..... 1 (4)  
**Daequan Cook** ..... 2007  
Philadelphia 76ers ..... 1 (21)

2008 **Kosta Koufos** ..... 2008  
Utah Jazz ..... 1 (23)

2009 **B.J. Mullens** ..... 2009  
Dallas Mavericks (traded to  
Oklahoma City Thunder) ..... 1 (24)

2010 **Evan Turner** ..... 2008-10  
Philadelphia 76ers ..... 1 (2)

2011 **Jon Diebler** ..... 2008-11  
Portland Trail Blazers ..... 2

2012 **Jared Sullinger** ..... 2011-12  
Boston Celtics ..... 1 (21)

2013 **Deshaun Thomas** ..... 2011-13  
San Antonio Spurs ..... 2

2015 **D'Angelo Russell** ..... 2015  
Los Angeles Lakers ..... 1 (2)



the second-most in school history after starting the season 24-0. Ohio State claimed both the regular-season and postseason Big Ten titles and entered the NCAA Tournament as the overall No. 1 seed.

In 16 years as a collegiate head coach, Matta has produced 20 or more victories each year which includes three years at Xavier (78-23) and one at Butler (24-8). His average record as a head coach after 12 seasons (320-108) in Columbus is 27-9.

As a Buckeye, Matta has more wins than any previous Ohio State head coach after 12 seasons on the job. Fred Taylor was 216-87 during his first 12 seasons (1959-70) for a winning percentage of .713 over that span. Matta's 12-year win percentage of .748 also leads the two previous Ohio State coaches who spent at least 12 years on the OSU sidelines. The 148 wins over the five-year span of 2010-14 is the most of any previous Ohio State coach over a five-year period.

Taylor's run from 1960-64 is second (114-17). Three of those Taylor teams (1960-62) advanced to the NCAA title game. The Matta teams of 2009-13 won 145 games, the 2007-11 squads amassed 144 wins and the recent five season span of 2011-15) produced 143 wins.

Matta is one of just two coaches nationally to post 20 or more wins in each of his first 16 seasons as a head coach. The 2006, 2007 and 2010 Big Ten Conference and 2006 USBWA District V Coach of the Year, Matta tied an Ohio State record for wins by a rookie coach (20) in 2004-05. Gary Williams, the former head coach at Maryland, posted a 20-13 record in 1986-87 with the Buckeyes. Matta (2005 and '06) and Williams (1987 and '88) are the only two Ohio State coaches to record 20 or more wins in each of their first two seasons in Columbus and Matta is the only Buckeye mentor with 12 20-win campaigns at the start of his tenure.

In his third season in Columbus, Matta led



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the Buckeyes to the 2007 Big Ten regular-season title, the conference tournament championship and won the 2007 Big Ten Coach of the Year Award. He again won the regular-season and postseason league titles in 2010 while earning coach of the accolades. The sweep was the fourth for Matta as a head coach. He accomplished the same three achievements in his only season at Butler (2001) and in his first year at Xavier (2002). In 2011, Matta led Ohio State to its 19th Big Ten regular-season title (now 20), its 13th outright championship and to the postseason tournament crown, the third in program history. As a head coach, Matta has claimed eight league regular-season titles and seven postseason league crowns.

A finalist for the 2002-03 Naismith National Coach of the Year Award, Matta began his duties in Columbus July 7, 2004. No time was wasted preparing for his first season, which culminated in a thrilling victory over undefeated and top-ranked Illinois in the regular-season finale at Value City Arena before a packed house and a national television audience. The 65-64 victory became an instant Buckeye classic. He added another win vs. a No. 1-ranked team when the Buckeyes knocked off top-ranked Wisconsin in the 2007 home finale. Matta has wins over three No. 1-ranked teams in his career after taking care of No. 1 St. Joseph's (87-67) in the 2004 Atlantic 10 Tournament.

Matta, a native of Hoopeston, Illinois, was 78-23 (.772) in three years at Xavier and is 401-125 (.762) in 15 years as a collegiate head coach. He coached one season at Butler, his alma mater, before taking the Xavier post. He led the Musketeers to the NCAA Elite Eight in 2004, the best NCAA Tournament run in program history.

The Musketeers won 16 of their last 18 games in 2003-04. His Xavier teams were 19-4 in March from 2002-04. Ohio State won 22-consecutive games, which at the time tied the second-longest win streak in school history, down the stretch in 2007. Matta is 62-22 (.738) in March at Ohio State, including a 9-0 record in 2007.

Xavier compiled a 47-10 (.825) record against Atlantic 10 competition under Matta, including a 39-9 (.813) record in the regular season and an 8-1 (.889) mark in the Atlantic 10 Tournament. The Musketeers captured two regular-season championships and two tournament titles with Matta at the helm.

Matta, the 2004, 2006, 2007, 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013 Columbus Dispatch Coach of the Year, led Xavier to three-consecutive 26-win seasons, back-to-back Atlantic 10 Conference regular-season championships in 2002 and 2003 and a league tournament title in 2002 and 2004. Xavier advanced to three NCAA Tournaments, including an Elite Eight appearance in 2004 following two second-round trips. The three 26-



win seasons tied for the second-highest single-season win total in Xavier history.

Matta's 26 wins in 2002-03 marked the highest win total for a second-year XU head coach. He also broke the school record for most victories by a Xavier rookie head coach. Xavier's 26-6 record in the 2001-02 campaign set the mark. He set a personal record with win No. 27 in 2006-07 and the Ohio State wins total (35) that year set a school record originally established by the 1960-61 squad that finished 27-1.

Matta was named 2000-01 Midwestern Collegiate Conference Coach of the Year in his one season at the helm at Butler after leading the Bulldogs to a school-record 24 wins, while also being named National "Rookie Coach of the Year" by CBS SportsLine.com. Matta had spent the previous three seasons as the top assistant to Barry Collier, who left Butler after the 1999-2000 season to take over as head coach at Nebraska.

Butler was 24-8 under Matta's direction that year with an 11-3 MCC record and a league regular-season championship, a MCC tournament championship and an appearance in the second round of the NCAA Tournament. Butler won 13 of its last 15 games, including a 58-44 upset win at 10th-ranked Wisconsin and a 79-63 bashing of No. 23 Wake Forest in the first round of the NCAA Tournament. The win over Wake Forest was, at the time, Butler's first NCAA Tournament win since 1962. Eventual NCAA runner-up Arizona ended the Butler run in the second round of the NCAA Tournament.

Matta began his coaching career at Indiana State University as a graduate assistant under head coach Tate Locke in 1990-91. Matta served as an academic coordinator and administrative assistant at Butler (1991-94) before moving into the full-time coaching ranks. Matta took his first full-time assistant coaching position under Herb Sendek at Miami (Ohio) University in

1994-95 and helped Miami to a 23-7 record, a Mid-American Conference regular-season championship and a first-round win in the NCAA Tournament.

The following year, Matta accepted a coaching position at Western Carolina University under Phil Hopkins and helped the Catamounts to a 17-13 record, the school's first winning record in 10 years. Western Carolina captured the Southern Conference regular-season and tournament championships and advanced to the NCAA Tournament where it nearly pulled off one of the biggest upsets in NCAA Tournament history. The No. 16-seeded Catamounts had a shot to win against Purdue but fell 73-71 to the top-seeded Boilermakers. Matta returned to Miami under new head coach Charlie Coles in 1996-97 and helped the RedHawks to a 21-9 record, the MAC regular-season and tournament championships and a berth in the NCAA Tournament. Matta rejoined Butler's staff in 1997 and helped the Bulldogs to three-consecutive 20-win seasons. He established himself as one of the nation's best young coaching prospects during a six-year assistant coaching stint. In his three seasons as Barry Collier's top assistant, Butler compiled a 67-29 (.698) record, won two Midwestern Collegiate Conference Tournament championships and one MCC regular-season title, made two NCAA tournament appearances and earned one NIT berth. He served as Butler's primary recruiter.

In total, Matta spent six seasons as a full-time assistant coach at three universities, helping his squads compile a composite 128-58 (.688) record and make six postseason tournament appearances. He was on the bench in five-consecutive conference tournament championship games and won four league tournament championship rings. He was in the NCAA Tournament five times as an assistant under four head coaches and in the postseason NIT once.

A high school basketball standout at Hoopeston-East Lynn in Hoopeston, Ill., Matta was a two-year starter for the Butler Bulldogs in three seasons after transferring from Southern Illinois as a sophomore. He led Butler in assists (100) and 3-point field goal percentage (.433) in 1987-88 and in free throw percentage in 1988-89 (.872). He served as a team captain on Barry Collier's first team in 1989-90 and finished his career in sixth place on Butler's all-time list for free throw percentage (.800). He earned a B.S. degree (education) from Butler in 1990. Matta enjoyed his Butler career high point total of 21 points against Xavier at the Cincinnati Gardens March 2, 1989.

Thad Michael Matta was born July 11, 1967, in Hoopeston. The 48-year-old coach and his wife, Barbara, have two daughters, Ali and Emily.



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## MATTA VS. ALL OPPONENTS

Opponent.....	W	L	Opponent.....	W	L	Opponent.....	W	L
Air Force.....	1	0	Florida Gulf Coast.....	1	0	Memphis.....	1	1
Akron.....	1	0	Fordham.....	3	0	Mercer.....	3	0
Alabama.....	1	1	Gardner-Webb.....	1	0	Miami (Ohio).....	6	0
Albany.....	1	0	Georgetown.....	1	1	Miami (Fla.).....	1	0
Alcorn State.....	1	0	George Mason.....	1	0	<b>Michigan.....</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>7</b>
Arizona.....	1	3	George Washington.....	7	1	<b>Michigan State.....</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>15</b>
American.....	1	0	Georgia Tech.....	1	0	<b>Minnesota.....</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>6</b>
Ball State.....	2	1	Gonzaga.....	1	0	Mississippi.....	1	0
Belmont.....	2	1	Grambling.....	1	0	Mississippi State.....	1	2
Birmingham-Southern.....	1	0	Hawaii.....	1	0	Missouri.....	0	1
Bowling Green.....	1	0	High Point.....	0	0	Missouri-Kansas City.....	1	0
Bryant.....	1	0	Houston.....	1	0	Morehead State.....	5	0
Butler.....	2	2	Houston Baptist.....	1	0	Morgan State.....	1	0
California.....	2	0	<b>Illinois.....</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>5</b>	Mount St. Mary's.....	1	0
California Santa Barbara.....	1	0	Illinois-Chicago.....	2	0	<b>Nebraska.....</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1</b>
Campbell.....	1	0	<b>Indiana.....</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>10</b>	New Hampshire.....	1	0
Central Connecticut State.....	2	0	IUPUI.....	1	0	NC-Wilmington.....	0	1
Chattanooga.....	1	0	Indiana State.....	0	1	Norfolk State.....	1	0
Chicago State.....	2	0	Iona.....	2	0	North Carolina.....	0	4
Cincinnati.....	4	1	<b>Iowa.....</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>7</b>	North Carolina A&T.....	2	0
Clemson.....	0	1	Iowa State.....	3	1	North Carolina Asheville.....	4	0
Cleveland State.....	5	0	Jackson State.....	2	0	North Carolina Wilmington.....	1	0
Coastal Carolina.....	1	0	Jacksonville.....	1	0	North Dakota State.....	1	0
Colgate.....	1	0	Kansas.....	0	3	North Florida.....	2	0
Columbia.....	1	0	Kentucky.....	1	1	Northern Illinois.....	1	0
<b>Connecticut.....</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	Kent State.....	2	0	Northern Iowa.....	0	0
Coppin State.....	3	0	Lamar.....	1	0	Northern Kentucky.....	1	0
Creighton.....	2	1	La Salle.....	6	0	<b>Northwestern.....</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>1</b>
Davidson.....	1	0	Long Beach State.....	1	0	Notre Dame.....	2	0
Dayton.....	8	2	Long Island.....	1	0	Oakland.....	2	0
Delaware.....	2	0	Loyola Maryland.....	1	0	Ohio.....	1	0
Delaware State.....	2	0	Louisiana-Lafayette.....	2	0	Oklahoma.....	0	1
Detroit.....	2	1	Louisiana-Monroe.....	1	0	<b>Penn State.....</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>2</b>
Duke.....	1	2	Louisiana State.....	1	1	Portland State.....	1	0
Duquesne.....	4	2	Louisiana Tech.....	0	1	Presbyterian College.....	2	0
Eastern Illinois.....	1	0	Louisville.....	1	1	<b>Purdue.....</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>8</b>
Eastern Kentucky.....	2	0	Loyola (Ill.).....	4	0	Rhode Island.....	4	0
Eastern Michigan.....	1	0	Marquette.....	2	0	Richmond.....	5	2
Elon.....	1	0	<b>Maryland.....</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	Robert Morris.....	1	0
Evansville.....	0	1	Maryland-Baltimore County.....	1	0	<b>Rutgers.....</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>
Florida.....	3	3	Massachusetts.....	5	0	Sacred Heart.....	1	0
Florida State.....	2	0	Massachusetts-Lowell.....	1	0	St. Bonaventure.....	3	1
Florida A&M.....	2	0				St. Francis (Pa.).....	1	0
						St. Joseph's.....	5	1
						<b>Saint Peters.....</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
						Samford.....	1	0
						San Francisco.....	2	0
						Santa Clara.....	1	0
						Savannah State.....	1	0
						Siena.....	2	1
						South Carolina.....	2	0
						South Carolina State.....	1	0
						South Carolina Upstate.....	1	0
						Stanford.....	0	1
						Syracuse.....	2	0
						Temple.....	2	2
						Tennessee.....	2	2
						Tennessee-Martin.....	2	0
						Tennessee State.....	1	0
						Texas.....	1	0
						Texas A&M.....	0	1
						Texas Arlington.....	0	1
						Texas Christian.....	1	0
						Texas-Pan American.....	1	0
						Texas-San Antonio.....	1	0
						Texas Tech.....	1	0
						Towson.....	1	0
						Troy State.....	1	0
						Valparaiso.....	2	0
						<b>Virginia.....</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
						Virginia Military Institute.....	4	0
						Virginia Commonwealth.....	1	0
						Virginia Tech.....	1	0
						Wake Forest.....	1	0
						Washington.....	1	0
						West Virginia.....	0	2
						Western Carolina.....	1	0
						Wichita State.....	0	1
						Winthrop.....	1	0
						<b>Wisconsin.....</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
						Wisconsin-Green Bay.....	2	1
						Wisconsin-Milwaukee.....	2	0
						Wright State.....	4	1
						Wyoming.....	1	0
						Xavier.....	1	0
						Youngstown State.....	1	0
						<b>Totals (.752).....</b>	<b>422</b>	<b>139</b>





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### MATTA'S CAREER RECORD BY YEAR

Thad Matta is in his 13th season as head men's basketball coach at Ohio State in 2016-17. Matta has taken all 15 eligible teams to postseason play in his 16 years as an NCAA Division I head coach.

#### AS AN ASSISTANT

Year	School	Record	League Tournament	Postseason
1990-91 (GA)	Indiana State	14-14	-	-
1991-92 (Admin. Asst.)	Butler	21-10	MCC Title Game	NIT 1st Round
1992-93 (Admin. Asst.)	Butler	11-17	-	-
1993-94 (Admin. Asst.)	Butler	16-13	-	-
1994-95 (Assistant)	Miami (Ohio)	23-7	-	NCAA 2nd Round
1995-96 (Assistant)	Western Carolina	17-13	SoCon Champions	NCAA 1st Round
1996-97 (Assistant)	Miami (Ohio)	21-9	-	NCAA 1st Round
1997-98 (Assistant)	Butler	22-11	MCC Champions	NCAA 1st Round
1998-99 (Assistant)	Butler	22-10	-	NIT 2nd Round
1999-2000 (Assistant)	Butler	23-8	MCC Champions	NCAA 1st Round

#### AS A HEAD COACH

Year	School	Record	Conf/Place	League Tournament	Postseason
2000-01	Butler	24-8	11-3/1st	MCC Champions	NCAA 2nd Round
<b>1-Year Butler Record</b>	<b>24-8 (.750)</b>		<b>1 Title</b>	<b>1 Title</b>	<b>1 NCAA</b>
2001-02	Xavier	26-6	14-2/1st	A-10 Champions	NCAA 2nd Round
2002-03	Xavier	26-6	15-1/1st		NCAA 2nd Round
2003-04	Xavier	26-11	10-6/4th-T	A-10 Champions	NCAA Elite Eight
<b>3-Year Xavier Record</b>	<b>78-23 (.772)</b>		<b>2 Titles</b>	<b>2 Titles</b>	<b>3 NCAA</b>
2004-05	Ohio State	20-12	8-8/6th		
2005-06	Ohio State	26-6	12-4/1st	Big Ten Title Game	NCAA 2nd Round
2006-07	Ohio State	35-4	15-1/1st	Big Ten Champions	NCAA Title Game
2007-08	Ohio State	24-13	10-8/5th		NIT Champions
2008-09	Ohio State	22-11	10-8/4th-T	Big Ten Title Game	NCAA 1st Round
2009-10	Ohio State	29-8	14-4/1st-T	Big Ten Champions	NCAA Sweet 16
2010-11	Ohio State	34-3	16-2/1st	Big Ten Champions	NCAA Sweet 16
2011-12	Ohio State	31-8	13-5/1st-T	Big Ten Title Game	NCAA Final Four
2012-13	Ohio State	29-8	13-5/2nd-T	Big Ten Champions	NCAA Elite Eight
2013-14	Ohio State	25-10	10-8/5th		NCAA 2nd Round
2014-15	Ohio State	24-11	11-7/6th		NCAA 3rd Round
2015-16	Ohio State	21-14	11-7/7th		NIT 2nd Round
<b>12-year Ohio State Record</b>	<b>320-108 (.748)</b>		<b>5 Titles</b>	<b>4 Titles</b>	<b>9 NCAA</b>
<b>16-Year Collegiate Record</b>	<b>422-139 (.752)</b>		<b>8 Titles</b>	<b>7 Titles</b>	<b>13 NCAA</b>





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## BY THE NUMBERS DURING MATTA ERA

- 0** • Losses at home during the 2006-07 (18-0), 2010-11 (20-0) seasons; previous best was in 1990-91 (15-0)
- 1** • National Player of the Year – Evan Turner (2010)  
• National Freshman of the Year – Jared Sullinger (2011)  
• National Championship game appearance (2007)  
• National Invitation Tournament title (2008)  
• Big Ten Medal of Honor winner (Aaron Craft-2014)  
• Reached No. 1 in the *AP* Ranking for the first time (3/3/07) since 1962  
• Ranking of the Illini when the Buckeyes defeated them, 65-64 (3/6/05), a win vs. No. 1 for the first time since 1993 (Indiana 2/23/93, 81-77)
- 2** • NCAA Final Four Appearances – 2007, 2012  
• Big Ten Players of the Year – Terence Dials (2006), Evan Turner (2010)  
• National Defensive Player of the Year winners (Greg Oden-2007, Aaron Craft-2014)  
• Wins vs. (*AP*) No. 1-ranked teams (2-2 record)
- 3** • 30-win seasons (2007, 2011, 2012)  
• Ohio State record number of players drafted in the 2007 NBA Draft (Oden, Conley, Cook). All were true freshmen and all were taken in the first round.  
• NCAA “Elite Eight” appearances (2007, 2012, 2013)  
• Big Ten Defensive Players of the Year – Greg Oden (2007), Aaron Craft (2012, 2014)
- 4** • Consecutive NCAA “Sweet 16” appearances (2010, 2011, 2012, 2013)  
• Big Ten Tournament titles (2007, 2010, 2011, 2013)  
• Big Ten Freshmen of the Year – Greg Oden (2007); William Buford (2009), Jared Sullinger (2011); D’Angelo Russell (2015)  
• Big Ten Tournament MVPs (Conley 2007, Turner 2010, Sullinger 2011, Craft 2013)
- 5** • All-Americans – Greg Oden (2007); Evan Turner (2009, 2010), Jared Sullinger (2011, 2012)  
• Big Ten regular season titles (2006, 2007, 2010, 2011, 2012)  
• NCAA “Sweet 16” appearances (2007, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013)  
• Consecutive years ranked in *Associated Press* Top 10 (2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014)
- 6** • Top 2 Seeds in NCAA Tournament since 2006 (2-2006, 1-2007, 2-2010, 1-2011, 2-2012, 2-2013)
- 7** • Big Ten title game appearances (2006, 2007, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013)  
• Players drafted in the First Round of the NBA Draft (Oden, Conley, Cook, Koufos, Mullens, Turner, Sullinger) and another taken in Round 2 (Diebler in 2011)  
• Consecutive NCAA tournament appearances (2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015)
- 8** • Consecutive years with a First Team All-Big Ten honoree (2006-13)
- 9** • Big Ten Championships -- 5 regular season (2006-07-10-11-12), 4 Big Ten Tournament (2007-10-11-13)  
• Players selected in the NBA Draft  
• NCAA Tournament appearances (2006, 2007, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015)
- 10** • Ohio State players named to the Big Ten All-Defensive team, most (tied with PUR) of any league team all-time (Foster 2006; Oden 2007; Lauderdale 2010; Craft 2011-12-13-14; Lighty 2011; Scott 2013-14)
- 11** • Consecutive seasons with 10 or more wins during the Big Ten regular season.  
• First Team All-Big Ten Selections
- 12** • 20-win seasons (2005-16)  
• Consecutive Season-Opening Wins
- 13** • 13-0 record at home vs. Big Ten Coaches in their first year in the Big Ten (20-6 overall)
- 18** • NCAA Tournament wins while coaching the Buckeyes
- 19** • Length of win streak vs. Big Ten opponents (2007 & 2008); 10 of those wins were on the road or in the Big Ten tournament
- 23** • Wins in the Big Ten Tournament, most of any league team
- 31** • Total games played in the Big Ten Tournament, most of any league team
- 35** • School record wins (35-4 in 2007). Posted a 34-3 record in 2010-11
- 203** • Home wins since 2005, most nationally.
- 320** • Career wins at Ohio State, most in Ohio State history
- 428** • Career games coached at Ohio State, third most in Ohio State history
- %** • Has a winning percentage at home of 89.4 (203-24)  
• No. 5 nationally among active coaches with 73.8 win percentage in March (62-22)  
• Has the best winning percentage among all Ohio State coaches with 3 or more years on the job (.748)  
• Has an overall record of 320-108 (74.8)  
• Has a record vs. Big Ten teams of 166-75 (241/.689) while at OSU and 170-78 (248/.685) over career  
• Has the best winning percentage among all Ohio State coaches in Big Ten regular season play (143-67/.681)

### BUTLER UNIVERSITY PLAYING CAREER

- Three-year letterman, starting guard, 1989-90
- Team assist leader (100), 1987-88
- Team 3-point pct. leader (.433), 1987-88
- Team free throw pct. leader (.782), 1988-89
- Team captain, 1989-90
- 6th on Butler's career free throw pct. list (.800)

### COACHING CAREER

School	Position	Season	Yrs.
Indiana State	Graduate Asst.	1991	1
Butler	Administrative Asst.	1992-94	3
Miami, Ohio	Assistant Coach	1995	1
Western Carolina	Assistant Coach	1996	1
Miami, Ohio	Assistant Coach	1997	1
Butler	Assistant Coach	1998-2000	3
Butler	Head Coach	2001	1
Xavier	Head Coach	2002-04	3
Ohio State	Head Coach	2005-	10

### COACHING HONORS

- 2001 Midwestern Collegiate Conference Coach of the Year
- National “Rookie” Coach of the Year-CBS SportsLine.com
- National “Rookie” Coach of the Year-College Insider.com
- 2002 Atlantic 10 Coach of the Year
- 2003 Naismith National Coach of the Year Finalist
- 2006, 2007, 2010 Big Ten Coach of the Year
- 2004, 2006, 2007, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013 Ohio Coach of the Year-*Columbus Dispatch*



## ASSOCIATE HEAD COACH DAVE DICKERSON



### SEVENTH SEASON

Dave Dickerson, former head coach at Tulane, joined the Ohio State men's basketball staff as an assistant coach April 19, 2010. He was elevated to associate head coach on Thad Matta's staff in the summer of 2011.

In six seasons on the Ohio State sidelines, Dickerson has been a part of 164 victories, two Big Ten regular-season titles, three Big Ten Tournament title game appearances, three NCAA Tournament runs to the "Sweet 16," an "Elite Eight" run in 2013 and the 2012 Final Four. The Buckeyes have participated in NCAA Tournament play in five of six years with Dickerson on the Ohio State sidelines.

During his five years as head coach at Tulane, Dickerson compiled a 68-84 record, 31-47 in Conference USA, after inheriting a Green Wave basketball program that had registered just one winning season during the five years prior to his arrival. He guided the Wave to back-to-back winning seasons in 2006-07 and 2007-08, a feat not accomplished in the 11 previous years, and to start his tenure, led the squad to four-consecutive opening-round wins in the Conference USA Tournament.

Prior to his time in New Orleans, Dickerson spent nine years as an assistant under Gary Williams at Maryland, his alma mater, and

in 2004-05, was the program's associate head coach. He helped the Terrapins to nine-consecutive postseason appearances, including five "Sweet 16s," two Final Fours and one national championship in 2002. Maryland also enjoyed eight 20-win seasons during his tenure.

Accolades for Dickerson have included recognition as an AFLAC Assistant Coach of the Year in 2003, the ACC's No. 1 Assistant Coach as named by *Basketball News* (2003-04), *Athlon Sports'* No. 4 Assistant Coach in the nation (2003-04), and an "Assistant Coach on the Rise" as tabbed by ESPN's Andy Katz. He was the National Association of Basketball Coaches District 8 Coach of the year in 2007-08.

Dickerson also served as assistant coach at Gardner Webb (1990-91), James Madison (1991-92) and Radford (1993-96) before returning to Maryland. As a player, he lettered for the Terrapins from 1986-89, earning team captain status as a senior.

A native of Olar, S.C., Dickerson graduated from Maryland in 1990 with a degree in government and politics. He is married to the former Laurette Newsom, a 1991 graduate of Maryland. The couple has one child, Dave III.

## ASSISTANT COACH JEFF BOALS



### EIGHTH SEASON

Jeff Boals joined the Ohio State men's basketball staff as an assistant coach April 28, 2009.

Over his seven seasons at Ohio State, the Buckeyes have amassed 193 wins, three Big Ten regular-season titles, four appearances, including three championships, in the Big Ten Tournament title game, four NCAA "Sweet 16s," an "Elite Eight" in 2013 and a run to the 2012 NCAA Final Four in New Orleans. The Buckeyes have qualified for the NCAA Tournament in six of seven years he has been on the Ohio State sidelines.

A native of Magnolia, Ohio, Boals (pronounced BOWLS) spent three seasons as a member of the Akron basketball staff, his final as the associate head coach. He served as the program's recruiting coordinator and was responsible for the development of the team's post players.

Akron posted a 23-13 record (10-6 in the Mid-American Conference), won their first MAC tournament championship and made their second appearance in the NCAA Tournament and first since 1986.

Over the previous two seasons, Boals aided the Zips in winning a MAC East Division title (2007), making consecutive appearances in the MAC tournament championship game (2007 and 2008) and advancing to the second round of the National Invitation Tournament (2008).

Boals joined the Zips program after spending two seasons (2004-05 and 2005-06) as the top assistant coach at Robert Morris. While at Akron he successfully recruited Anthony "Humpty" Hitchens, a Chillicothe, Ohio, native, who was a member of the MAC All-Freshman team in 2008-09. Boals also recruited Zeke Marshall, a Top 35 national recruit.

In his two seasons at RMU, Boals worked with the Colonials' post players and served as recruiting coordinator. Part of a program turnaround orchestrated by head coach Mark Schmidt,

the Colonials posted the program's first winning record since 1999-2000, going 15-14 in 2005-06.

Prior to his time at RMU, Boals spent the 2003-04 season as the associate head coach at Division II University of Charleston in Charleston, West Virginia. During that time he was responsible for developing the Golden Eagles' post and perimeter players and oversaw the program's recruiting efforts.

That actually was his second stint at the school, having been an assistant coach from 1996-99. During those three seasons the program recorded a 63-26 mark, and captured the West Virginia Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WVIAC) tournament championship in 1999 to earn a bid into the NCAA Tournament. The team was also ranked in the Top 25 during the 1998-99 campaign, peaking as high as No. 11.

Boals served as an assistant coach at former MAC institution Marshall from 1999-2003. He worked closely with the Thundering Herd's recruiting during that time, helping the program land an incoming class that was regarded as the best in the league by several scouting services.

A 1995 graduate of Ohio University with a bachelor of science degree in biological sciences, Boals was a four-year letterwinner on the Bobcats' basketball team. Also a two-year captain, he helped guide OU to the 1994 MAC tournament and regular-season championships, the same season the program won the Preseason National Invitation Tournament. In the preseason NIT, the Bobcats notched road victories over Ohio State and Virginia before edging New Mexico State and George Washington at Madison Square Garden.

Boals began his coaching career at OU as an assistant coach from 1995-96.

Boals and his wife, Katie, have two children, Sydney and Chase.



## ASSISTANT COACH GREG PAULUS

### FOURTH SEASON



Greg Paulus was added to the Ohio State men's basketball staff as video coordinator in June of 2011. He was elevated to assistant coach in the summer of 2013. He joined Thad Matta's staff after spending the 2010-11 campaign as an assistant coach at Navy.

The Buckeyes have won 99 games with Paulus as an assistant coach. In four of five seasons with Paulus on the bench (two of three as an assistant), the Buckeyes have qualified for the NCAA Tournament.

Prior to beginning his coaching career at Navy, Paulus had a successful four-year playing career at Duke (2006-09) and a one-year stint playing quarterback at Syracuse while pursuing a master's degree. A three-year starter for the Blue Devils, he played on four NCAA Tournament teams, helping them to a 112-28 record while leading the team in assists in 2006, 2007 and 2008.

As a freshman in 2006, Paulus was a member of the ACC All-Freshman first team, the ACC All-Tournament second team and a second-team freshman All-American while averaging 6.7 ppg and 5.2 apg. He remains one of just four freshmen in ACC history to lead the league in assists, joining North Carolina's Ed Cota (1997), Georgia Tech's Kenny Anderson (1990) and current American coach and former Virginia standout Jeff Jones (1979) as freshman to

accomplish the feat.

Paulus spent the 2009-10 year at Syracuse as the starting quarterback on the Orange football team, throwing for 2,024 yards and 13 touchdowns in 12 games while helping the Orange to a 4-8 record, matching the program's best record since the 2004 season. It was Paulus' first action on the football field since being named the 2005 Gatorade National High School Player of the Year. He was invited to the New Orleans Saints minicamp in both May and June of 2010, but was not offered a contract.

A native of Syracuse, N.Y., Paulus also excelled in the classroom throughout his collegiate career, earning three-time member of the ACC All-Academic Team and was a two-time third-team academic All-American selection, graduating with a bachelor's degree in political science with a certificate in business in 2009. He went on to earn his master's degree in communications from the Newhouse Television, Radio and Film department at Syracuse in 2010, earning 2009 Big East All-Academic Team honors.

## DIRECTOR OF BASKETBALL OPERATIONS -- DAVID EGELHOFF

### 11TH SEASON



David Egelhoff is in his 11th season as the director of basketball operations with the Buckeyes. He directs the day-to-day operations of the program and acts as the main liaison between the team and other areas in the athletics department and university. He oversees team budget, travel, scheduling and program advancement. Prior to his current role, he spent three years as the program's video coordinator assisting in self- and opponent-video analysis.

Recent projects he has worked on include enhancing the game day experience for fans through promotions and use of technology. In addition, during the Fall of 2006, he presented a plan to Ohio State's Athletics Administration detailing the need for facility additions for the men's and women's basketball programs. That plan has resulted in a new practice facility attached to the Schottenstein Center. The project, completed in the summer of 2013, includes renovated locker rooms, women's gym and athletic training room along with a new weight room and men's practice gym.

Egelhoff spent the 2002-03 season working in basketball operations for the Orlando Magic. There he assisted in preparing

video edits for the coaches and team, evaluated collegiate talent and assisted in draft war room procedures. He also has been selected as a member of the support staff for various USA Basketball teams and events including the 2002 Youth Development Festival in Colorado Springs, Colo., the 2002 Junior World Championship Qualifying Team in Miami, Fla., and the 2005 World Championship Qualifying Team in Sao Paulo, Brazil.

Egelhoff spent five seasons (1998-2002) as a student manager at Ohio State, serving as the head manager his senior year. He received his undergraduate degree in business administration from the Fisher College of Business in 2001. He received a master's degree in sport management from Ohio State in 2005. He and his wife, Kelsey, a three-time Ohio State graduate with a Ph.D. in speech and hearing science, reside in Clintonville. The couple have two daughters, Elizabeth and Katelyn.







## VIDEO COORDINATOR JAKE DIEBLER

### FOURTH SEASON



Jake Diebler, now in his fourth season with the Buckeyes, spent two seasons as an assistant coach at Valparaiso University before moving to Columbus in the summer of 2013 to become the video coordinator for the Buckeyes. He completed his fourth year overall as a member of the Valparaiso men's basketball coaching staff in 2013 after helping guide Valpo to the Horizon League regular-season title in 2011-12.

Diebler spent one season as director of basketball operations and one as a student assistant following his playing career with the Crusaders.

In Diebler's first season as a full-time assistant coach, he was part of a staff which helped lead Valparaiso to 22 wins and the regular-season championship, the first by Valpo since joining the Horizon League. Diebler also helped the Crusaders to a berth in the 2012 Postseason National Invitational Tournament.

Diebler served as director of basketball operations during the 2010-11 season, helping the Crusaders to a 23-win season, finishing just one game out of the regular-season title, and a berth in the Collegen Insider.com Tournament. As a student assistant in 2009-10, Diebler helped guide the Crusaders to 15 wins and a fourth-place finish in the Horizon League standings.

Known as one of the Crusaders' hardest-working players on both

ends of the court during his time as a player, Diebler set a Valpo Division I record by starting each and every one of the Crusaders' 98 games over the final three seasons of his career. He also had a string of 278-consecutive minutes played over seven games in the final half of his senior season, believed to be a Valpo record as well.

Diebler ranked among the Horizon League Top 10 in a trio of categories as a senior, finishing fourth in minutes played (33.8/game), sixth in 3-pointers made (1.8/game) and eighth in steals (1.3/game). He finished his Crusader career 10th in Valpo history with 130 career steals and 16th all-time at Valpo with 229 career assists.

Also a standout in the classroom, Diebler earned Academic All-League honors and Horizon League Academic Honor Roll mention during his career, as well as being named to the NABC Honors Court. Diebler graduated with a bachelor's degree in marketing from Valparaiso in May 2009 and with an MBA in 2011. His brother Jon, played for the Buckeyes from 2008-11.

## BUCKEYE SUPPORT STAFF

### VINCE O'BRIEN

#### ATHLETIC TRAINER



Vince O'Brien is in his 17th season as the athletic trainer for the Ohio State men's basketball team and is beginning his 24th year at OSU.

O'Brien oversees the athletic training facility in the Jerome Schottenstein Center, which houses men's and women's basketball, men's ice hockey, men's golf and spirit squads. He is primarily responsible for men's basketball and men's golf.

His men's basketball duties include evaluating injuries, designing treatment and rehabilitation programs and coordinating physician care. He also travels with the Buckeyes.

A 1991 graduate of Ohio State with a bachelor of science degree in Health Education, O'Brien began his career as the head athletic trainer and health teacher at Bishop Watterson High School in Columbus.

He then returned to his alma mater in 1993 to supervise the Larkins Hall Athletic Training facility at Ohio State. His duties there included work with OSU's wrestling, gymnastics, aquatics, fencing and rowing teams. In 1998, O'Brien moved to the Biggs Athletic Training facility where he was responsible for OSU's men's soccer, baseball and women's tennis teams.

While working at Ohio State, O'Brien has provided medical services for several Big Ten and NCAA championship events including: basketball, baseball, wrestling, gymnastics, golf and track and field.

On the international scene, O'Brien has provided services for USA Wrestling as a certified athletic trainer at the 1995 World Wrestling Championships in Atlanta, Ga., and as a chief athletic trainer for men's water polo at the 1996 Olympic Games in Atlanta. In the summer of 2001, O'Brien accompanied the Ohio State men's basketball team to Europe for a 16-day trip through Italy, Switzerland, France and The Netherlands. He traveled to Germany in the summer of 2006 with the Ohio State men's soccer team for several friendly matches in preparation for the 2006 OSU season.

O'Brien is an Accredited Clinical Instructor and teaches courses in the undergraduate athletic training curriculum in the OSU School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences. He was selected as Clinical Instructor of the Year in 2013.

He is a member of the National Athletic Trainers' Association and the Ohio Athletic Trainers' Association. He was named 2003 Collegiate Athletic Trainer of the Year by the OATA. In 2012, O'Brien completed his nine years of service on the State of Ohio Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy and Athletic Trainers' Board. Additionally, he is active in the OSU Alumni Association and volunteers with the American Cancer Society.

O'Brien resides in Columbus.



## BUCKEYE SUPPORT STAFF

### DAVE RICHARDSON

#### ASSOCIATE STRENGTH & CONDITIONING COACH



Dave Richardson joined the Ohio State staff in 2005 after spending the previous five years as an assistant strength trainer at the University of Miami (Fla.). He is in his 12th season at Ohio State.

Prior to working with the men's basketball team at Miami, Richardson worked for six seasons as the head strength and conditioning coach at the University of Louisiana at Monroe.

Before his stint at Louisiana-Monroe, Richardson served five years as head strength and conditioning coach at Nicholls State University. Two of the seasons at Nicholls State he served as the head track and field coach.

The Monroe, La., native also worked as the strength and conditioning coach for Central America's Davis Cup tennis team in 1991.

Richardson, who earned a bachelor's degree in health and human performance in 1989 and a master's degree in exercise science in 1990 from Louisiana-Monroe, has a strong background in power lifting. In 1984 he won the Alaska powerlifting state championship and was crowned the Louisiana state powerlifting champion in 1986 and 1987.

In 1985 and 1986 he was the ArkLaMiss champion and was listed among the Powerlifting USA Top 100. In addition, Richardson served five years in the Army and was a member of the All-Army powerlifting team.

As an undergrad, Richardson was a student assistant on the ULM strength staff.

Richardson, his wife, Amanda, and son David, reside in Columbus. His daughter Megan is a teacher in Louisiana.

### DAN WALLENBERG

#### ATHLETICS COMMUNICATIONS



Dan Wallenberg is in his 10th year as the associate athletics director for communications at Ohio State. He joined the athletics department staff in July of 1998 and begins his 19th season as the men's basketball contact in the OSU Athletics Communications Office.

A 1989 graduate of Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, he holds a bachelor's degree in journalism with a minor in political science.

Wallenberg is responsible for the overall management of the athletics communications office.

Prior to joining the OSU staff, he served as associate sports information director at Kansas State (1996-98) and Western Kentucky (1993-96). At Kansas State, he worked with men's basketball and the nationally-ranked football teams.

While at Western Kentucky, he served as the publications coordinator, volleyball and women's basketball contact.

A native of Calumet City, Illinois, Wallenberg is the former sports editor of the Marion (Ill.) *Daily Republican* and later the Harrisburg (Ill.) *Daily Register*. While working in the newspaper business, he won Illinois Press Association awards for both writing and photography.

He interned in the sports information offices at both SIUC and the University of Illinois and is a member of CoSIDA and the U.S. Basketball Writers Association.

In February of 2002, he served as the media subcenter and volunteers supervisor at the primary men's ice hockey venue (E-Center) during the 2002 Salt Lake City Winter Olympics.

During the summer of 1996, he worked as a press operations manager (field hockey) at the 1996 Atlanta Olympic Games.

Wallenberg and his wife, Laura, reside in Columbus. The couple have one daughter, EV and a son, Eivin.

### BRETT RYBAK

#### ATHLETICS COMMUNICATIONS



Brett Rybak is in his eighth year in the Ohio State athletics communications office and third with the Ohio State men's basketball program. He joined the athletics communications staff as an intern in July of 2009.

Rybak came to Ohio State from Florida International University, after also previously working at Otterbein College.

Rybak has worked with baseball, women's soccer and women's gymnastics during his tenure at Ohio State. In addition, Rybak serves as the editor of the Ohio State football gameday program. While at FIU, he worked as the contact for women's basketball and women's soccer and was the secondary contact for the baseball team.

Rybak is a 2008 graduate of Otterbein College where he lettered two years for the baseball team and worked for four years as a sports information student assistant. He did his student internship in the athletics communications office at Ohio State during his senior year at Otterbein.

Rybak resides in Dublin.





## BUCKEYE SUPPORT STAFF

### DR. GRANT JONES

#### ORTHOPEDIC SURGEON



Dr. Grant Jones is in his 20th season as an Ohio State orthopedic surgeon.

Jones, a native of Upper Arlington, Ohio, graduated from Denison University with a bachelor of science degree in 1988. He earned his medical doctorate from the Ohio State College of Medicine in 1992 and completed his Sports Medicine Fellowship at the Hughston Clinic in Georgia. A full professor of orthopedic surgery at Ohio State, Jones has numerous honors and awards to his credit. Most recent was his induction into the Capital One Academic All-America Hall of Fame in the summer of 2015.

In 2012, Jones was selected for the exclusive American Shoulder and Elbow Surgeons society, which has just over 200 members worldwide. In the spring of 2012, he presented research in Lake Como, Italy and Geneva, Switzerland. In 2013, Jones was the featured guest international lecturer at the International Arthroscopy, Shoulder, and Sports Medicine Course in Cartagena, Colombia. He also has been awarded two Neer Awards (2011 and 2013) which are given to the authors of the top international research papers in shoulder and elbow surgery.

Jones presently serves on the American Orthopedic Society of Sports Medicine (AOSSM) Traveling Fellowship Committee. He also was selected to be a team physician for U.S. Lacrosse in 2011 and is the head team physician for Upper Arlington High School.

In 2008, Jones participated in the AOSSM traveling fellowship to South America (one of four American orthopedic surgeons selected).

In 2007, Jones was awarded the Ohio Athletic Trainers Association Team Physician of the Year Award. He also spent part of the summer in Chile lecturing on shoulder and elbow injuries and was named to the American Orthopaedic Society for Sports Medicine National Publications Committee.

He recently took on the role (2009) of team physician for the Columbus Clippers, the Triple A affiliate of Major League Baseball's Cleveland Indians. The Clippers are located in Columbus.

The class valedictorian at both Upper Arlington High School (1984) and at Denison (1988), Jones was a team captain for the Denison football squad and team MVP in 1988. He was the Woody Hayes National Scholar-Athlete of the Year in 1987 and was an All-North Coast Athletic Conference performer in 1986 and '87. *Time Magazine* selected him for its Achievement Award as one of the Top 20 College students in the nation in 1987. He is an active member and national speaker for numerous medical societies and is an Article Reviewer for four major orthopaedic surgery journals.

Jones and his wife, Jamie, reside in Upper Arlington with their son Hudson and daughter Evelyn.

### DR. JIM BORCHERS

#### TEAM PHYSICIAN



Former Buckeye student-athlete Jim Borchers is in his 13th season as a team physician in the Ohio State athletics program. He is in his sixth year working with men's basketball. In addition to working with the men's and women's basketball programs, Borchers also provides medical treatment for the Ohio State football team. He has previously worked with student-athletes

from men's and women's soccer, men's and women's lacrosse, men's and women's tennis, field hockey and softball.

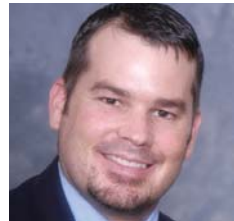
A native of Bellbrook, Ohio, Borchers walked on with the Buckeyes and earned four varsity awards as the regular long snapper between 1990 and 1993. He received the Ike Kelley Special Teams Player of the Year Award in 1992. A four-year Academic All-Big Ten honoree and a four-year OSU Scholar-Athlete, he

graduated from Ohio State in 1993 with a degree in chemistry. He earned his M.D. from Northeastern Ohio University's College of Medicine in 2000 and a master's in public health from Ohio State in 2009.

Borchers completed his residency in family medicine from Toledo Hospital in 2003 and his sports medicine fellowship from the Northwest Ohio Sports Medicine Institute in 2004.

### CHAD McCLELLAN

#### ATHLETICS ACADEMIC COUNSELOR



Chad McClellan is in his 12th full season working as the Student Athlete Support Services Office (SASSO) Athletics Academic Counselor with the Ohio State men's basketball program.

He assists in the area of athletics academic counseling and working with the student-athletes and staff on day-to-day academic concerns such as tutoring, mentoring and monitoring academic progress.

A native of Findlay, Ohio, McClellan played baseball at Florida State University where he received his B.S. in business management in 1989. From there McClellan continued his academic pursuits at Ohio University, receiving a M.B.A. in business marketing in 1990. Currently he is a doctoral candidate in the higher education program at The Ohio State University.

McClellan resides in Hilliard.

### ERIC BUCHANAN

#### EQUIPMENT MANAGER



Eric Buchanan, a native of Clintonville, Ohio, is entering his 21st year as an equipment manager at Ohio State and eighth with the men's basketball program. His duties range from negotiating equipment purchases with various manufacturer representatives to handling game-day equipment related issues. Buchanan has been involved in the equipment industry since 1991, when he served as a volunteer equipment manager for the University of Cincinnati football team. He held that position until he graduated in 1994 with a bachelor of arts degree in sociology. He received a master of arts degree in athletic administration in 1995 from Ohio University, while serving as a graduate assistant equipment manager for OU's basketball, football and track programs.

Prior to his appointment at Ohio State Oct. 1, 1996, Buchanan spent a year as an assistant equipment manager at the University of California at Berkeley and worked with the football, women's basketball, swimming, water polo, rugby and golf teams. He also was a volunteer intern with the Oakland Raiders while at California. Buchanan currently resides in Columbus.

### DEBBY CACCHIO

#### HEAD COACH'S SECRETARY



Debby Cacchio retired as the secretary to head coach Thad Matta following the 2012-13 season. She was an Ohio State University employee for more than 29 years. She currently assists the men's basketball program part time in an administrative capacity.

Cacchio has been a long-time volunteer for Children's Hospital through the Memorial Tournament, the Nationwide Children's Hospital Golf Tournament and the former Wendy's Championship LPGA Tournament.

A Grandview Heights, Ohio, native, Cacchio and her husband, John, reside in Dublin. The couple's son Chad is a former Ohio State receiver (1998-2000). He is married with two daughters, Sophia and Stella and practicing dentistry in Upper Arlington. His wife, Stacey, is a doctor in Columbus.