



Terry Haise

Terry Haise has had a distinctive involvement in wrestling both as a competitor and coach.

He was a Pennsylvania State High School Champion in 1960 and a second place finisher in 1961. While wrestling for Syracuse University, he was an Eastern Freshman champion and placed in the EIWA championships three years, finishing second once and third twice.

After a successful stint as a coach in upstate New York, he moved to Long Island and from 1969 to 1997 served as Varsity Coach for Freeport High School. His career at Freeport proved to be remarkably successful. During his tenure Freeport consistently placed in the top ten teams, and finished second in the County Championship in 1981, 1982 and 1997.

Individually, the wrestlers Terry coached were equally successful. Two of his wrestlers became New York State Champions and eight were finalists. In all, he coached 17 All-State wrestlers at Freeport. At the County level he coached 55 Division Champions, 22 Nassau County Champions and a total of 60 All-County wrestlers. Many of his wrestlers went on to have great college careers. A total of 11 were All Americans. 6 National Collegiate Champions on several different levels learned their skills from Coach Haise.

In addition to his coaching duties at Freeport, Terry has participated in many organization as a coach or tournament director. He established USA "Kid Wrestling" in Nassau County over 20 years ago. From 1983 to 1997 he served as Empire Games Long Island scholastic freestyle coach, and from 1985 to 1988 he was N.Y.S. National Junior Olympic Freestyle coach. He has also served as President of the Nassau County Coaches Association and as Section Eight wrestling coordinator.

Both of Terry's sons have been successful wrestlers. His son Jeff was a New York State Champion in 1987 and Brian was a placwinner in the ASIC/Tiger Junior National Championships. Also, his wife Marcia is an internationally ranked Freestyle/Greco-Roman scholastic referee.