



2016-2017 Alliance Coach Bio

Caleb Norton

Professional Background:

First year out of college, currently studying to take Technology Education and P.E. Praxis tests, looking to start teaching full time fall 2017.

Personal:

For fun, I enjoy camping and playing video games. On the side, I do freelance photography, PR writing, and DJ in my spare time. I'm a total media nerd on everything from headphones to building PCs.

Education:

For high school and middle school, I attended a college prep school in Daejeon, South Korea. As a freshmen in college, I attended Missouri Baptist University in 2013, Hong Kong Baptist University in 2014 and graduated cum laude from MTSU in May, 2016.

Coaching:

This will be my eighth year coaching volleyball, my third club season and my second season coaching at Alliance.

In the past year I assisted Candice O'Brien with the 17-1s at Alliance, I coached several fall / winter league teams, assisted at MTSU with their women program spring 2016 and assisted TSU with their preseason fall 2016.

This school season, I coached the JV team at Brentwood Academy and assisted Alyssa Hall with BA's varsity. The past year has been a great year of growth and development for me as a coach, I look forward to assisting Rick Hess on the 18-2s this year.

Coaching Philosophy:

My coaching is very much a teaching style. I hold great value in teaching concepts and explaining tactics as well as why and how the game is played. Volleyball is not a closed sport and can't be taught as such. I am a very positive person and that comes through in my coaching.

Playing Experience:

I started playing volleyball my freshmen year in high school, walking onto the varsity team. By my senior year, our team won the Korean-American Interscholastic Activities Conference (KAIAC) conference and tournament. I was awarded MVP, Best Hitter, APAC All Conference, KAIAC All Conference and chosen to be on the all decade team.

I played two years in college, one year at Missouri Baptist University and one year at Hong Kong Baptist University. I moved to MTSU in 2014 and found Alliance in fall 2015.

Top Volleyball Highlights:

My favorite volleyball moment was winning the KAIAC tournament in Korea as a senior. Our team was down two sets to none and came back to win in five. I have never been closer to a team and will never forget the joy of winning our national conference after four years of hard work.