

Walter Patterson Head Coach of A5 11-1 Walter

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Why I Coach Volleyball

My motivation for coaching is a love of sports in general, volleyball in particular, and a love for teaching youth. Team sports are a great way to develop the non-academic side of students and instill valuable life lessons such as self-confidence, winning and losing, working as a team, attaining goals - being part of this process is very rewarding to me. I pride myself on carrying a positive attitude and leading by example. Finally, I really enjoy working with younger athletes as they make such dramatic leaps in ability over a season, vs. the incremental improvements at the older levels of play.



Volleyball Experience

- Played with Georgia Tech volleyball club and various rec leagues
- Coached with A5 since 2005 as 12-1 asst. coach, 12-3 head coach, and 11-1 head coach
- Coached with Peach State Volleyball, the A5 youth predecessor
- Walker Middle School B team head coach, 2004-2006
- Walker High School varsity assistant coach, 2007-2008
- Walker Middle School A team head coach, 2009-2015
- Trips to AAU and/or USAV Nationals the last 8 years with A5 12-1 and 11-1
- Current USAV member and IMPACT coaching certification by USAV
- Current Positive Coaching certification from AAU
- A5 youth clinics coach and occasional Volley Performance coach

Personal

- School: Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Civil Engineering from Georgia Tech
- Play soccer 3-4 times per week, as well as tennis and wakeboarding
- Play and occasionally teach guitar. No I cannot sing.
- Day job: Web developer for my own company, Cool Dog Interactive, Inc.
- Acclaimed "Smoothie King" of the A5 volleyball club. Don't question this.

References: Past parents

- Megan Hall 678-358-8103
- Tom Bianco 330-283-9418
- Lauren Kinderman 678-770-1105

References: Other coaches

- Karen Arndt 770-595-3181
- Grace Fossier 678-414-7475
- Scott Cioffari 919-357-2935