

The Road to 1,000 Wins

The Road to 1,084 Wins for Columbus Grove			
Coaches	Years Coached	Years	Wins
F. W. Sexton	1915	1	6
Unknown	1916-1922	7	12
Hiram Basinger	1923-1924	2	18
William Turner and			
Mr. Merhab	1925	1	4
Clifford Preble	1926	1	2
Waldo Blake	1927-1929	3	25
Homer Barto	1930-1933	4	17
George Niemi	1934-1935	2	22
Willard Schaller	1936-1938	3	29
Darrel Lowell	1939-1942	4	39
Joe Chapoton	1943	1	7
Eldon Shook	1944	1	7
Wade Shank	1945 and 1948	2	18
Eugene Rayle	1946	1	4
Collin Stackhouse	1947 and 1949-1954	7	106
Merl Rosendale	1955-1956	2	22
Bob Diller	1957-1958	2	10
Larry Glass	1959-1960	2	15
Roger Schantz	1961-1964	4	42
Louis Meyer	1965-1968	4	35
Jerry Stechschulte	1969-1974 and 1983-1986	10	127
Jim Kolts	1975-1976	2	23
Gary Jones	1977-1978	2	14
Mike Allen	1979-1980	2	11
Rick Utz	1981-1982	2	12
Bruce Brown	1987-1988	2	12
Jerry Hoersten	1989-1996	8	86
Chris Grothaus	1997-2001	5	39
Troy Schwemley	2002-2006	5	63
Todd Turnwald	2007-2011	5	66
Ryan Stechschulte	2012-2015	4	67
Eric Maag	2016	1	11
Chris Sautter	2017-2023	7	107
		109	1,084

The Road to 1,162 Wins for Continental			
Coaches	Years Coached	Years	Wins
A. F. Ptak	1910-1912	3	
Unknown	1913-1918	6	
Bert Mull	1919-1921 and 1925	4	20
Harold Weatherbee	1922-1923 and 1930	3	20
T. R. Hersh	1924	1	13
Ralph McKibben	1926 and 1931-1936	7	50
Mr. Bodenbender	1927	1	6
Ralph Pumphrey	1928-1929	2	20
Harold Fasig	1937-1938	2	24
Bina J. Conkey	1939-1942	4	68
Louie Blue	1943-1945	3	13
Eugene Reese	1946	1	11
Marvin English	1947-1948	2	24
Merle McDonald	1949-1950	2	28
Mark Emerick	1951-1953	3	33
Tom Temple	1954-1955	2	11
Mylo Gerken	1956-1957	2	26
Lane McCrate	1958	1	4
Bob Mumaugh	1959	1	16
Dean Edwards	1960-1961	2	19
Paul Ladd	1962-1964	3	21
Al Phips	1965-1967	3	17
Roger Renz	1968-1971	4	58
Don Huber	1972-1991	20	285
Doug Williams	1992-2000	9	112
Kevin Homier	2001-2011 and 2013	12	179
Mark Wilson	2012	1	8
Kurtis Brown	2014-2017	4	41
Eric Maag	2018-2020	3	9
Scott Keck	2021-2023	3	18
		114	1,162

Columbus Grove's first reported high school boys' basketball win was in 1915 against Vaughnsille. The coach was F.W. Sexton. The Ohio High School Athletic Association did not start until 1924. Many, many games were unreported in the beginning. It was not until the 1950s that games were religiously reported. Thus, the actual wins for Columbus Grove is definitely much higher.

Continental's first reported high school boy's team was in 1910. The coach was A. F. Ptak. However, no scores were reported until 1919 when the Pirates defeated Sherwood. The Ohio High School Athletic Association did not start until 1924. Many, many games were unreported in the beginning. It was not until the 1950s that games were religiously reported. Thus, the actual wins for Continental is definitely much higher.

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The Road to 891 Wins for Fort Jennings

Coaches	Years Coached	Years	Wins
Clarence Specht	1940 and 1943-1946	5	58
Bob Drake	1941	1	5
Frank Colombo	1942	1	8
Eugene Riley	1947-1951	5	40
Hilary Wannemacher	1952-1954	3	14
Paul Grilliot	1955-1959	5	67
Dick Kortokrax	1960-1961	2	26
Marion Gordon	1962-1963	2	12
Larry Miller	1964-1966	3	22
Don Altenburger	1967-1972	6	83
Tom Sakemiller	1973-1978	6	91
Bill Altenburger	1979-1986	8	93
John VonSossan	1987-2013	27	309
Keith Utendorf	2014-2017	4	24
Ryan Schroeder	2018-2020	3	21
Todd Hoehn	2021-2023	3	18
		84	891

Fort Jennings's first reported high school boy's basketball win was in 1940 against Blachard. The Coach was Clarence Specht. Some games were not reported in the earlier years, but the records starting in the 1950s were good. Thus, the actual recorded wins for Fort Jennings is pretty accurate.

The Road to 1,176 Wins for Kalida

Coaches	Years Coached	Years	Wins
Unknown	1915-1941	27	9
Harry Douvadjian	1942-1943	2	4
Gaylord Meyers	1944-1946	3	21
Michael Marko	1947	1	5
William Stechschulte	1948-1950	3	14
Joe White	1951-1956	6	80
Ron Marquette	1957-1959	3	50
Bob Kuruez	1960-1961	2	29
Tom Kurry	1962-1963	2	34
Alan Clase	1964-1967	4	59
Bill Lammers	1968-1970	3	32
Bill Senger	1971	1	8
Dan Neff	1972-1973	2	27
Ted Bushong	1974	1	11
Dick Kortokrax	1975-1989 and 1991-2016	41	665
Jim McBride	1990	1	12
Ryan Stechschulte	2017-2023	7	116
		109	1,176

Kalida's first reported high school boy's basketball team was in 1915 and its first win in 1916 was against Leipsic. The Wildcats only played one normal season from 1915-1941, when, in 1922, they placed second in the Putnam County Tournament. In all the other years, Kalida would only play a few games each year and the coaches were unknown. No coaches were mentioned until 1942 when Harry Douvadjian took over. Thus, the records starting in the 1950s were pretty accurate.

The Road to 975 Wins for Ottawa-Glandorf

Coaches	Years Coached	Years	Wins
Tom Weber	1965-1972	8	75
Chick McMillan	1973-1974	2	6
Ron Niekamp	1975-1979	5	74
Dave Sweet	1980-2005	26	449
Josh Leslie	2006-2011	6	109
Tyson McGlaughlin	2012-2023	12	262
		59	975

Ottawa-Glandorf is the "youngest high school" in Putnam County. Its first coach was Tom Weber. O-G is the result of the consolidations of Ottawa Public, Ottawa SPPS and Glandorf. In 1965, O-G claimed its first victory over Bath. Ottawa-Glandorf's win total is accurate since all games were reported.

The Road to 1,382 Wins for Ottoville

Coaches	Years Coached	Years	Wins
Louis Heckman	1919-1923 and 1927-1951	30	448
Jerome Moenter	1952-1959	8	106
Norbert Gertz	1960-1961	2	15
Richard Kortokrax	1962-1974	13	199
Phil Muehlfield	1975-1979 and 1996-1997	7	88
Steve Penhorwood	1980-1984	5	90
Mark Knott	1985-1988	4	41
Joe Horstman	1989-1991	3	19
Bill Stoner	1992-1993	2	13
Jeff McMillan	1994-1995	2	21
Tom VonSossan	1998-2011	14	185
Todd Turnwald	2012-2017	6	45
Keith Utendorf	2018-2023	6	112
		102	1,382

Ottoville's first reported high school boy's basketball win was in 1919 versus Delphos St. Johns. Due to a fire, all the recorded documents were lost from 1919-1929. The recorded wins from 1930 to the present are very accurate. An estimate of Coach Heckman's record was set at 448 wins. Thus, the recorded wins for Ottoville are pretty accurate.

The Road to 1,000 Wins

The Road to 1,135 Wins for Leipsic			
Coaches	Years Coached	Years	Wins
Unknown	1916	1	0
William E. Edwards	1917-1918	2	15
Unknown	1919	1	1
Harry Kerns	1920-1921	2	23
Unknown	1922	1	8
Horace Parker	1923	1	9
Clarence Cruikshank	1924	1	6
A. J. Sacksteder	1925	1	13
Ralph Blauvelt	1926-1930	5	67
William Query	1931-1932	2	22
Edgar Andrews	1933-1934	2	18
Earnest Radenbaugh	1935-1942 and 1944	9	89
Waldo E. Henderlich	1943	1	11
Harold Weaver	1945	1	5
Ken Bowersox	1946-1947	2	7
Cody Burdette	1948-1951	4	46
Willis Hartman	1952-1957	6	88
Elmo Stites	1958-1959	2	22
Chuck Violet	1960-1964	5	66
Marvin Walls	1965-1968	4	31
Hal Bower	1969	1	7
Mike Jacobs	1970	1	7
Dale Gerding	1971-1972	2	15
Mike Ingram	1973-1974	2	11
Clair Recker	1975-1978	4	36
Delbert Fry	1979	1	4
Kurt VanDerhorst	1980-1984	5	56
Don Coletta	1985-1986	2	31
Scott Waltour	1987-1989	3	32
Dick Mangas	1990-1991	2	19
John Eichar	1992-1994	3	38
Scott Mangas	1995-1999	5	68
Darren Henry	2000-2001	2	9
Kevin Brandt	2002-2007	6	45
Scott Maag	2008-2016	9	129
Chris Kuhlman	2017-2022	6	74
Devin Mangas	2023	1	7
		108	1,135

Leipsic's first reported high school boy's basketball win was in 1916 against Kalida. The Coach was unknown. The Ohio High School Athletic Association did not start until 1924. Many, many games were unreported in the beginning. It was not until the 1950's that games were religiously reported. Thus, the recorded wins for Leipsic is definitely higher.

The Road to 1,164 Wins for Palmer/Miller City			
Coaches	Years Coached	Years	Wins
Joe Windle	1924-1925	2	1
Paul Stoodt	1926-1934	9	62
Ferd Ball	1935-1936 and 1943-1944	4	11
Bob Miller	1934-1936	3	10
Bill Cox	1937-1938	2	5
Joe Ponnessa	1939	1	1
Joe Nienberg	1945-1949	5	78
Norris Simpson	1950-1954	5	95
Victor Mentley	1955	1	12
Cot Marquette	1955-1958	3	58
Jerry Eitzman	1959-1963	5	74
Jim Grove	1964-1970	7	103
Denny Recker	1971-1975	5	44
Rick Limber	1976-1977	2	17
Kevin McGlaughlin	1978-1996	19	274
Marty Zender	1997-2000	4	44
Kerry Johnson	2001-2005	5	54
Dusty Pester	2006-2009	4	37
Tyson McGlaughlin	2010-2011	2	30
Bryan Kuhlman	2012-2018	7	102
Ross Kaufman	2019-2023	5	52
		100	1,164

Palmer's first reported high school boy's basketball game was in the first Putnam County Tournament in 1924 in which the Wildcats lost to Vaughnsville 58-4. This was also the first year that the Ohio High School Athletic Association took control of the high school sports. In 1942, Palmer was closed and reopened as the Miller City-New Cleveland School District. Many of the games from 1924-1944 were not reported. However, most of the game have been documented from 1945 to the present. Thus, the recorded wins for Miller City are much higher.

The Road to 1,000 Wins

The Road to 754 Wins for Pandora-Gilboa			
Coaches	Years Coached	Years	Wins
Robert Strahm	1952	1	8
Jim Gratz	1953-1954	2	8
Dale Bruning	1955-1956	2	15
Martin Stall	1957	1	8
Jesse Bedwell	1958	1	2
Art Olson	1959-1960	2	5
Jim Knox	1961-1967	7	55
Roger Shipman	1968-1972	5	38
Dave Gantz	1973-1975	3	28
Tom Baratko	1976-1977	2	8
Rolf Haenisch	1978	1	2
Ken Brooks	1979-1985	7	54
Jan Sorgenfrei	1986-1990	5	63
Joe Braidic	1991-1993 and 1999-2010 and 2017-2019	18	232
Al Thomas	1994-1998	5	44
Josh Klear	2011-2013	3	16
Logan Smith	2014-2016	3	14
Mike Lee	2020-2023	4	54
		72	754

Pandora-Gilboa's first reported high school boy's basketball win was in 1952 against Harrod. Its first coach was Robert Strahm. This was P-G's first year of existence since its consolidation with Blanchard and Pandora. The recorded wins for Pandora-Gilboa is very accurate.