

2018 BCAM COLLEGE COACHES OF THE YEAR

Steve Ernst – Olivet College Men's College Coach of the Year

Coach Steve Ernst just finished his second season as the Head Coach at Olivet College. This past season he led Olivet to a 16-11 overall record, playing an extremely difficult schedule which included NCAA Division 1, Division II and NAIA teams. His team shared the MIAA regular season title along with Hope with a 10-4 record. This was Olivet's first conference title since 1973. They earned the No. 1 seed and hosted the 2018 MIAA Tournament. For the first time in school's history they advanced to the MIAA Tournament Championship game. Both of their Conference Tournament games were played in front of standing-room only crowds at The Cutler Event Center.

Carlos McMath – Delta Community College Men's Junior College Coach of the Year

Coach McMath just completed his third season at Delta Community College. His team finished this past season with a 23-8 overall record, which included a 10-0 start to the season. Coach McMath and his Pioneers defeated Schoolcraft College 73-66 in the NJCAA District 10 Championship game. This sent Delta to the NJCAA Division II National Tournament for the first time since 1989. They won their first two games at the National Tournament and ultimately finished fourth in the nation for the 2017-18 season.

Sue Guevara - Central Michigan University Women's College Coach of the Year

Sue Guevara led the Central Michigan University Chippewas to unprecedented heights in 2017-18. This season the Chippewas earned both the MAC regular-season and tournament championships, a program record of 30 wins, and a Sweet Sixteen appearance in the NCAA Tournament. The two NCAA Tournament wins marked the first in program history. Sue Guevara is in her 11th year as the CMU women's basketball head coach. She has led the Chippewas to 20 or more wins in seven of the last eight seasons and is the program's all-time winningest coach with a 206-148 record. Coach Guevara was honored with the 2018 Kay Yow National Coach of the Year Award and the 2018 Mid-American Conference Coach of the Year Award.

Jay Ritchie - Macomb Community College Women's Junior College Coach of the Year

Macomb Community College Head Women's Basketball Coach Jay Ritchie concluded his ninth season as the Monarchs' leader. In 2017-18 his team ended the season with an impressive 27-8 record, which included a Michigan Community College Athletic Association (MCCAA) Eastern Conference title. Macomb's District H championship win over Schoolcraft College with a score of 64-63 earned MCC a spot in the National Junior College Athletic Association National Tournament for the second year in a row. At the 2018 national tournament Macomb finished eighth in the country. To date, Coach Ritchie has compiled a 190-77 win-loss record at MCC, in addition to four league titles and two regional championships.