

Mike Smith, Head Coach

Mike Smith is currently in his 20th year as a head girls' golf coach. Coach Smith graduated from Abilene High School, where he played basketball, in 1964. He attended Cisco Junior College and then Sam Houston State University, playing basketball at both.

After graduating in 1968 with a BBA degree, he coached basketball at Galveston Ball for one year before moving to Carrollton where he was the assistant basketball coach for three years. In 1972, Coach Smith was named the head basketball coach at Victoria High. He led the Stingarees to the State Playoffs 21 times, 17 district titles, 10 regional appearances, 2 state tournaments, and 1 State Runner-Up. He helped organize the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches and served as President in 1976-77.

He served as an all-star coach in 1995 and was the South All Star selection committee chairman in 1995. Coach Smith has spoken at numerous coaching clinics and has written several articles for the Texas Coach magazine. He also started and compiled the Texas AAAAA Basketball Preview book for 10 years. His teams set every Victoria High Basketball record including: most wins in a season (37), most points in a single game (128), most regular season tournaments won in a row (6), longest winning streak (29), longest district winning streak (44), longest home court winning streak (42), most consecutive district championships (6), and most consecutive trips to the regional tournament (5). After retiring from basketball in 1998, Coach Smith took over the girls golf program where his teams had immediate success. The past 19 years his teams have won 15 district titles, five regional championships, 17 regional tournament appearances, and 12 state tournament appearances, and on four of those trips, the girls finished 3rd, 2nd, 2nd, and 1st in Texas.

Between 2010-2013 Smith served as the varsity assistant for the Lady Titans basketball team where the girls went to regionals twice, 2 district championships, and in 2012, a 40 win season and a State Tournament berth.

Coach Smith also has a Masters degree in Education, as well as Principal and Superintendent Certificates. In May of 2015, Coach Smith was inducted into the Texas Basketball Hall of Fame. Coach Smith's wife, Ad, has been instrumental in the golf program's success. He and his wife Ad, have three children, Patty (89 VHS graduate, State Runner-Up in Basketball), Jimmy (93 VHS graduate), was recently voted one of the top 5 high school basketball players in the history of Texas), and Paula (96 VHS graduate, led the Stingarettes to regionals twice, and now teaches Math and coaches at Stroman). They also have six grandchildren, Ann, 16, Allison, 11, Taylor, 10, Sam, 10, and the twins, Alex and Brooks, who will turn 7 in December.