

COACHES/CLINICIANS

- TIM THOMAS, Dee-Mack Head Coach
 - In 15 seasons at Dee-Mack: 13 IHSA state qualifiers and 9 alternates, 1 IHSA girls state qualifier, 2 sectional champs, 48 sectional qualifiers, 12 regional champs and 46 wrestlers have had over 20 wins.
- DEE-MACK STAFF
 - Dan Maurer
 - 15 seasons at Dee-Mack. IVC Hall of Fame as an outstanding HS wrestler
 - Austin Brand
 - As head JH coach at DM for 4 seasons: 7 state placers, 11 state qualifiers, 3 finalists and 1 state champion; 4th place team 2023
 - Kellen Waters
 - Lifelong wrestler, 4x conference champion for Pekin Community High School, 3x sectional qualifier (placing 4th junior year), 4x Palatine Tournament finalist (1x champion)
 - Trained Greco-Roman wrestling with the All-Marine Wrestling Team in 2008
- OTHER LOCAL GREATS
 - Gage Sweckard, Clay Wiegand, Will Hinton, Garret Kelson
- KANNON WEBSTER
 - Fargo Junior Freestyle and Greco champ
 - 6x Fargo place-winner
 - 3x Illinois State Champion, career record of 200-2
 - Ironman Champion
 - U of Illinois wrestler fall of 2023
- NELSON BAKER
 - 2x IHSA State Champion
 - University Greco All-American

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- JIM GRUENWALD, Wheaton Head Coach

In his 11th year as Head Wrestling Coach of Wheaton Thunder Wrestling, Jim has coached 22 National Qualifiers and 9 All-Americans, and led the team to a CCIW team title. Gruenwald came to Wheaton after serving as an assistant coach for US Greco Roman wrestling team at the US Olympic Education Center in Marquette, MI from 2005- 2009 where he coached several World and Olympic Team members and medalists. As an athlete, Gruenwald, a 5x World and Olympic Team Member, finished 6th at 60 kg in the Greco Roman competition at the 2000 Olympics in Sydney and was 10th at the 2004 Olympics in Athens. He was also a 1998 and 2003 Pan American Champion, 2002 World Cup Champion, and placed 10th, 8th and 4th in the 2001-2003 World Championships, respectively. A three-time US Champion, he completed his competitive career in 2008 as a National Champion; he also won titles in 2003 and 2004. In college, Gruenwald finished with a 154-19 record and was a part of the prestigious Midlands 20 win club. As a high school wrestler, Jim was a 3x state finalist in WI, won a state title in 1987, and placed 2nd and 3rd at the Junior National Tournament (Fargo). He and his wife have 7 children and Jim has spoken extensively to all age groups including churches, businesses, the Military (ROTC and Officer Training Schools), camps, coach's seminars, and youth groups.

CAMP SCHEDULE

Monday, June 19: Coach Thomas and staff

Tuesday, June 20: Kannon Webster

Wednesday, June 21: Nelson Baker

Thursday, June 22: Jim Gruenwald

Friday, June 23: Coach Thomas, BIG CHIEF staff and other local greats

JH and HS students have an opportunity to follow this camp by attending ISI June 27-30 at Illinois Wesleyan. Cost is \$140.

BIG CHIEF XIII DEE-MACK WRESTLING CAMP WAIVER

In consideration of your acceptance of this entry I, intending to be legally bound hereby for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators, waive and release the BIG CHIEF Wrestling Camp and DMHS, their agents, committees, and members from any and all claims on right to damage for injuries or losses suffered by me directly or indirectly in training, traveling to or from, competing in or attending the BIG CHIEF Wrestling Camp.

Anyone falsifying information will be reported. Be assured that safety always comes first with our instructors, but accidents sometimes occur due to the nature of our sport. This form **MUST** be signed, dated, and returned when your wrestler arrives to camp. Thank you very much for your cooperation.

Participant Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Tim Thomas
(309) 369-0091
timothy.thomas@olympia.org

**BIG CHIEF XIII
DEE-MACK WRESTLING CAMP
REGISTRATION FORM**

Name

Street Address

City, State, Zip

Parent Cell Phone Number

Emergency Phone Number

Parent Email

Age

of Years Wrestling

T-SHIRT SIZE (circle one)

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Please mail registration/signed waiver and
camp fee to

BIG CHIEF XIII
c/o Tim Thomas
401 East Fifth Street
Mackinaw, IL 61755

You may also bring this registration form, signed
waiver and camp fee with you the first day.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

WHEN: Monday, June 19--Friday, June 23
5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

SUPERVISION: Coaches and clinicians will
supervise participants during camp
times.

TRANSPORTATION: Each participant is
responsible for his own ride to and
from camp.

INSURANCE: Parents/guardians are
responsible for providing accident
insurance.

CANCELLATION/REFUND POLICY:

Participants who must leave the camp
due to illness, injury or family
emergency will receive a prorated
refund. (Parents must be present for
refund.)

ELIGIBILITY: Anyone interested in our great
sport, participants of IKWF, IESA or
IHSA, coaches and parents.
Parents/guardians must sign a
medical release and may participate.
PLEASE have medical release and
consent with payment.

CAMP FEE: \$75.00 per camper, cash or check
to Dee-Mack HS Wrestling.

**BIG CHIEF XIII
DEE-MACK
WRESTLING CAMP**

featuring

Jim Gruenwald

2x Olympian, 3x World Team



JUNE 19 – 23
5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

DEE-MACK HIGH SCHOOL
Small Gym

Children will be divided into
age/size-appropriate groupings.

BUILDING CHARACTER & WRESTLING CHAMPIONS