

Plainfield's Wrestling Coach Named Region 4 Coach of the Year

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Plainfield Wrestling Coach William Dodd named Region 4 Coach of the YearCredits: Plainfield Public Schools

PLAINFIELD, NJ - Plainfield Wrestling Coach William Dodd has been named Region 4 Coach of the Year. His team's 19 victories ties a school record.

Dodd said, "It still hasn't sunk in that I was named Region 4 Coach of the Year. There are only eight coaches in the whole state that are named Region Coach of the Year, and to be among those eight coaches is a great honor. The fact that the award is decided and voted on by the other coaches in the region makes the honor that much greater."

He added, "But ultimately, it is nice to see that other coaches and teams are seeing and appreciating the work that our kids have put in. This team was a very special group; they showed how hard work and dedication can take you far and help you achieve your goals. The seniors have completely turned this program around from the time they first put on a pair of wrestling shoes their freshmen year to now, and they are truly the ones that deserve all the recognition."

According to Dodd, the wrestling team at Plainfield was able to put together one of the strongest years in the school's history, with accomplishments that include:

- Rumble in the Pines Champions-1st team title at an individual tournament since 1967
- Union County Conference Mountain Division Champions-1st Division title in school history
- Team Runner Up in District 13 Tournament and 5 region qualifiers-Best District Finish since 1967
- 19-9 dual meet record-ties the school record for most wins in a season, and in the process Coach

Dodd has amassed 65 career coaching victories to become the winningest wrestling coach in Plainfield history.