

2010 Coach of the Year Questionnaire

Name: Sarah Jakubowski

Years I have coached: 1997-current

Team(s) I have coached: Tigard Tigerettes and Tualatin Modaz

My favorite thing about coaching is: Bringing excellence to the kids who I absolutely love unconditionally!

Most memorable coaching moment: There are too many to pick one, but I'm most excited about the times I brought my team to NYC for a tour I created where they saw many Broadway shows, danced at Broadway Dance Center, took master classes with professionals, did plenty of sight seeing. They bonded so well...I hope it will be their favorite memorable moment as well. Their innocent faces lit up at each activity and that was truly rewarding for me.

My favorite routines are *(please give at least one of your own routines; feel free to mention other teams if you wish to):* My favorite two pieces I've done are: The Lion King at Tigard in 2000...my sister was on the team that year and rocked it out! (can't help but bring in the Broadway) and also HAIRSPRAY....the wigs, the pink, my friend Rusty who set choreo and the support from all over the place....so memorable. I also LOVE: Rex Putnam's "sunshine/sunset" piece (??? Few years ago), Sherwood's James Taylor with the chairs, Lincoln's amazing and so beautifully choreographed piece last year, Hillsboro's "Annie" (several years ago), Cleveland's Rainforest (1996), and of course EFX, my senior year in HS!

Something you might not know about me is: I lived in Germany as a young girl for three years. I still speak German and desire bringing my family back there...even to live there a year or so.

My favorite song is: In high school it was Man in the Mirror by Michael Jackson, in college it was CRAZY by Britney Spears (and I still love her), as a young mom it was Barney's hip hop cuts, and currently I pretty much LOVE Footloose!!!!

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Name:

Hillary McClintick

Years I have coached:

2003-2010

Team(s) I have coached:

Springfield High School
Sheldon High School

My favorite thing about coaching is:

- Seeing the growth in their skill and delight on the faces of my dancers.
- Putting routines together (coming up with an idea, cutting music, choreography, costumes, etc.)

Most memorable coaching moment:

The year we won 2nd place at State. I remember how excited my team was when they were announced as the 2nd place winners, and that evening, before I left the Coliseum, three different “official” people congratulated me on winning. I had to politely correct their “congratulations,” and they were slightly embarrassed at their mistake. (Secretly, I appreciated it, as it felt like three big compliments.) They shared that they were really impressed with our routine, and they could tell my team was genuinely overjoyed at how their hard work paid off. I left thinking I was so proud of my team and pleased with myself. My team didn’t win that night, but they felt like the winners. They celebrated their own growth and success as a team, and that is what I always desire more for them than the first place trophy.

My favorite routines are *(please give at least one of your own routines; feel free to mention other teams if you wish to):*

- Cold Mountain – Sheldon 2005
- A show team did Hotel California when I was in high school – first show routine I had ever seen, and I loved it!
- Rex Putnam did a biker chic routine when I was in high school – I remember thinking that was soooo cool!

Something you might not know about me is:

My husband and I own an outdoor wedding site with his parents. We put in countless hours designing and landscaping it ourselves.

My favorite song is:

I have to be honest – Give me a little MJ or a little Janet, and I’ll be up dancing...Jackson that is.

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Name: Vernita Reyna

Years I have coached: 9

Team(s) I have coached:

Sprague (2005 to 2010) and South Salem (1984 to 1988)

My favorite thing about coaching is:

Watching my dancers gain confidence as performers.

Most memorable coaching moment:

Tying for 5th place at the 2009 state championships in the 6A Large division. It was the first time that a team from Sprague (or any team from Salem!) had placed at state in over a decade. The team was so excited that you would have thought they won first place!

My favorite routines are *(please give at least one of your own routines; feel free to mention other teams if you wish to):*

When I was performing on dance team in high school...my favorite routine was "In the Mood".

When I was judging state championships...one of my favorites was Glencoe's "Diary of Anne Frank" (music from Schindler's List).

While I have been coaching... two of my favorites are "Your Song" and "Have a Little Faith in Me"

Something you might not know about me is:

I am a better coach because I have judged state and local dance team competitions for 26 years (1981 to 2007) and I am a better judge because I have been a coach! Also, I performed with the Woodburn Hiliners when I was in high school and we competed in the first state dance team championships before OSAA was involved and the organization was called the Oregon High School Dance and Drill Organization.

My favorite song is:

"World" by Five For Fighting

"Peace Like a River", a gospel number as performed by the Sprague concert choir

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Name: Sherry Summerville

Years I have coached: 9 years high school / 12 years junior teams

Team(s) I have coached: Milwaukie High School / Spotlight Junior Dance Teams

My favorite thing about coaching is: In regards to coaching *dance* teams specifically, I love how the artist and the athlete fuse together. I enjoy watching the growth of each student, not only in their dance abilities but in their relationships with each other and their capacity to handle responsibilities. It's exciting to watch the development of each dancer's personality and individual gifts throughout the years. Now that I have been doing this for a while I have been able to see what outstanding adults these dancers become and how they positively contribute to the world around them after high school.

Most memorable coaching moment: My first practice of the season with my 2004-05 team. I had been away for a year because I was recovering from vocal surgery. The team was ready to work and "hungry" for a new season. They gave me a great welcome back. It was a new beginning for me and for the MHS team.

My favorite routines are:

Milwaukie-FEAR, Eleanor Rigby

Rex Putnam – Summer Breeze

Parkrose – Wayward Son

Lincoln – Dream

Pendleton: Beethoven, Angels

Something you might not know about me is:

I have a twin sister named Shelly.

I have traveled around the world as a professional singer and performer.

I opened for Jazz singer and composer Mel Torme'

My favorite song is:

This is funny...ONE SONG? I love music of all types; pop, classical, jazz, hip-hop, R&B.

I guess if I HAVE to make a decision on one song...huhhh that would be:

"Feeling Good" – Michael Buble'