



## PAST CERRITOS FOOTBALL COACHES AND THEIR RECORDS

YEAR	COACH	CONF.	POST	TOTAL	CAREER
1957	Earl Klapstein	5-1-0	0-1	8-2-0	8-2-0
1958	Earl Klapstein	6-0-0		8-1-0	16-3-0
1959	Don Hall	5-1-0		8-1-0	8-1-0
1960	Don Hall	7-0-0	0-1	8-2-0	16-3-0
1961	Don Hall	5-1-1		5-3-1	21-6-1
1962	Don Hall	4-3-0		6-3-0	27-9-1
1963	Don Hall	5-2-0		7-2-0	34-11-1
1964	Smokey Cates	3-3-0		5-4-0	5-4-0
1965	Smokey Cates	6-0-0	1-0	10-0-0	15-4-0
1966	Smokey Cates	5-1-1		6-2-1	21-6-1
1967	Smokey Cates	2-4-1		4-4-1	25-10-2
1968	Smokey Cates	3-4-0		3-6-0	28-16-2
1969	Smokey Cates	4-2-0		7-2-0	35-18-2
1970	Smokey Cates	3-3-0		4-5-0	39-23-2
1971	Ernie Johnson	3-3-0		4-5-0	4-5-0
1972	Ernie Johnson	3-1-1	0-1	4-3-3	8-8-3
1973	Ernie Johnson	3-2-0		5-5-0	13-13-3
1974	Ernie Johnson	2-3-0		4-5-0	17-18-3
1975	Ernie Johnson	2-3-1		4-4-1	21-22-4
1976	Ernie Johnson	2-3-1		4-4-1	25-26-5
1977	Ernie Johnson	1-5-0		2-8-0	27-34-5
1978	Frank Mazzotta	4-2-0	0-1	6-5-0	6-5-0
1979	Frank Mazzotta	3-3-0		5-5-0	11-10-0
1980	Frank Mazzotta	4-2-0		7-3-0	18-13-0
1981	Frank Mazzotta	4-2-0		8-2-0	26-15-0
1982	Frank Mazzotta	2-4-0		3-7-0	29-22-0
1983	Frank Mazzotta	5-1-0	1-0	9-2-0	38-24-0
1984	Frank Mazzotta	5-3-0		6-3-0	44-27-0
1985	Frank Mazzotta	5-2-1		6-2-1	50-29-1
1986	Frank Mazzotta	6-1-0	0-1	7-3-1	57-32-2
1987	Frank Mazzotta	4-2-1	0-1	6-4-1	63-36-3
1988	Frank Mazzotta	0-5-0		1-10-0	64-46-3
1989	Frank Mazzotta	3-1-0		6-4-1	70-50-4
1990	Frank Mazzotta	2-2-0		*8-2-0	78-52-4
1991	Frank Mazzotta	4-0-0	0-1	8-3-0	86-55-4
1992	Frank Mazzotta	1-3-0		5-5-0	91-60-4
1993	Frank Mazzotta	2-2-0	0-1	7-3-1	98-63-5
1994	Frank Mazzotta	3-3-0	1-0	8-3-0	106-66-5
1995	Frank Mazzotta	3-3-0		5-4-1	111-70-6
1996	Frank Mazzotta	3-2-0	1-0	9-2-0	120-72-6
1997	Frank Mazzotta	1-4-0		5-5-0	125-77-6
1998	Frank Mazzotta	4-1-0	1-0	9-2-0	134-79-6
1999	Frank Mazzotta	3-2-0	1-0	8-3-0	142-82-6
2000	Frank Mazzotta	2-3-0	1-0	8-3-0	150-85-6
2001	Frank Mazzotta	2-3-0	1-0	7-4-0	157-89-6
2002	Frank Mazzotta	3-2-0	0-1	*9-2-0	166-91-6
2003	Frank Mazzotta	3-2-0	1-0	7-4-0	173-95-6
2004	Frank Mazzotta	2-3-0		3-7-0	176-102-6
2005	Frank Mazzotta	2-3-0		4-6-0	180-108-6
2006	Frank Mazzotta	1-4-0		3-7-0	183-115-6
CUMULATIVE		51-112-8	9-9		296-179-14

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### COACHES RECORDS

Earl Klapstein	(1957-58)	16-3-0	.842	Ernie Johnson	(1971-77)	27-34-5	.443
Don Hall	(1959-63)	34-11-1	.756				
Smokey Cates	(1964-70)	39-23-2	.629				
Frank Mazzotta	(1978- )	183-115-6	.614				



HEAD COACH FRANK MAZZOTTA



**F**rank Mazzotta is entering his 30th season as the head football coach at Cerritos College. Over the last three seasons, the team has been hit hard by injuries and as a result, had their first three-year losing seasons in school history. With one of the stronger recruiting classes in memory, the team looks to return to their winning ways and have a group of returning players that saw a lot of action last season. During his tenure with the Falcons, Mazzotta has now guided his teams to 14 bowl games including 10 of the last 14 years. In addition to defeating Victor Valley in the Potato Bowl four years ago (and went 7-4 on the year), they played in seven of the nine Cerritos Strawberry Bowls, defeating Moorpark and Allan Hancock twice, along with Santa Ana and Orange Coast once. For the first time in the history of the Strawberry Bowl in 2002, the Falcons were defeated, as Saddleback posted a 35-28 win in overtime. The Falcons faced the Raiders in the 1994 inaugural game, a 55-9 win, while Cerritos handed Moorpark a 16-15 setback in 1996. Then, in 1998, Cerritos upended a strong Allan Hancock team 35-21, before defeating Orange Coast, 31-17 in 2000. During the 2001 season, the team posted a 39-28 win over Allan Hancock. The Falcons have also played in the Avocado Bowl, Potato Bowl, Pony Bowl (twice) and the Orange County Bowl (twice). While compiling a 180-108-6 record (.625), 407 Falcon players have received scholarships to continue their education, which is perhaps an even more impressive number. Mazzotta's career wins ranks him in the top 12 in the history of community college head coaches.

During Mazzotta's tenure, many of his former players have gone on to achieve great success on the professional playing field. Most recently, Michael Bragg signed a two-year free agent contract with the Kansas City Chiefs. Bragg signed as a free agent with the New York Giants three years ago and after being released, was picked up by the Chiefs. They are joined by Cincinnati Bengals wide receiver T. J. Houshmandzadeh, who will be entering his fifth year in the NFL and is one of their starters. In addition, Demetris Veal, who was drafted by the Atlanta Falcons five years ago, will begin his fourth season with the Denver Broncos. Additionally, four other former Falcons under Mazzotta are playing in the Arena Football League. Other players who have spent time in the NFL that played for Mazzotta include Rich Camarillo (1978), Rico Smith (1989) and Broderick Thompson (1979). Mazzotta also coached Herb Welch (1981), who was a starter for the 1986 Super Bowl Champion New York Giants and Anthony Drawhorn (1985), who was the Canadian Football League Rookie of the Year. Also included is Mario Bradley (1994), who played with the London Monarchs of the World League of American Football and is also spent time with the Amsterdam Admirals, while Di-one Tyler played with the Edmonton Eskimos of the Canadian Football League. Other past Falcons and former professionals include Keith Dykes, Corey Kelley, Jean Boyd, Sidney Johnson, Jackie Johnson, Guy Teafatiller and Greg Williamson. There are currently over 30 former players under Mazzotta that are coaches at some level.

After graduating from El Rancho High School, where he was All-League and All-CIF, Mazzotta



played in the Shrine Classic between the North and South and has since been named to the Shrine Classic Hall of Fame. Long Beach City College was next for Mazzotta, where he became an All-American tight end, played in the Potato Bowl and led them to the National Championship. Mazzotta received a scholarship to the University of Utah, where he became an All-Western States Athletic Conference selection and played in the Liberty Bowl. Mazzotta went on to earn his Bachelor of Science Degree in both Physical Education and Biology at Utah and then his Master's Degree at Pepperdine University.

Mazzotta started his coaching career at the University of Utah as a graduate assistant. After his stay in Utah, he returned home to coach at his high school alma mater, El Rancho. Mazzotta received his first head coaching job at Warren High School in Downey in 1973, where he turned a dismal Bears program around. In 1976, Mazzotta joined his high school coach and mentor, Ernie Johnson, on the Cerritos College staff. On January 31, 1978 Mazzotta was named the head football coach for the Falcons.

Frank and his wife of 43 years, Helen, who reside in Whittier, have two sons, Frank Jr. and Casey. Frank Jr. was an All-Conference, All-State and All-American wide receiver for the Falcons in 1986-87, and received a scholarship to the University of Utah. Frank Jr. spent five years as the wide receivers coach at Cerritos, one year at El Rancho High School and two years as the head coach at Artesia High School. He is now in his eighth year as the head coach at La Habra High School, where they won back-to-back CIF Championships (2003-04) after reaching the CIF Championship game the year prior and was named the CIF Coach of the Year. Casey was a two-time All-Conference and Academic All-American free safety for the Falcons in 1990-91. He received a scholarship to Brigham Young University, where he was an Academic All-WAC selection. Casey was recently named the head coach at Mt. San Jacinto College, which will be his first collegiate head coaching assignment. He started his coaching career with the Falcons as a graduate assistant and was then named the head coach at Bellflower High School. After spending two years as the head coach at Foothill High School in Tustin, he moved on to serve as the defensive coordinator at Fullerton College until receiving the new head coaching assignment.

## HEAD COACH FRANK MAZZOTTA'S COACHING RECORD

YEAR	RECORD	PLACE	BOWL APPEARANCE
1978 -	6-5	South Coast Co-Champs	Lost Avocado Bowl
1979 -	5-5	3rd Place South Coast	
1980 -	7-3	3rd Place South Coast	
1981 -	8-2	3rd Place South Coast	
1982 -	3-7	5th Place South Coast	
1983 -	9-2	2nd Place South Coast	Won PONY Bowl
1984 -	6-3	4th Place PAC 9	
1985 -	6-2-1	3rd Place PAC 9	
1986 -	7-3-1	South Coast Champions	Lost Potato Bowl
1987 -	6-4-1	2nd Place South Coast	Lost PONY Bowl
1988 -	1-10	5th Place Mission North	
1989 -	6-4-1	2nd Place Mission North	
1990 -	*8-2	3rd Place Mission North	
1991 -	8-3	North Division Champions	Lost Orange County Bowl
1992 -	5-5	4th Place Mission North	
1993 -	7-3-1	3rd Mission North	Lost Orange County Bowl
1994 -	8-3	4th Mission North	Won Strawberry Bowl
1995 -	5-4-1	4th Mission North	
1996 -	9-2	3rd Mission North	Won Strawberry Bowl
1997 -	5-5	5th Mission North	
1998 -	9-2	2nd Mission North	Won Strawberry Bowl
1999 -	8-3	3rd Mission North	Won Strawberry Bowl
2000 -	8-3	3rd Mission North	Won Strawberry Bowl
2001 -	7-4	3rd Mission North	Won Strawberry Bowl
2002 -	*9-2	Mission North Co-Champions	Lost Strawberry Bowl
2003 -	7-4	3rd Mission American	Won Potato Bowl
2004 -	3-7	3rd Mission American	
2005 -	4-6	3rd Mission National	
2006 -	3-7	4th Mission National	

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183-115-6 (.614) – Overall Record  
103-74-2 (.582) – Conference Record

HEAD COACH FRANK MAZZOTTA





**MARIJON ANCICH**  
DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR

Marijon Ancich is returning to Cerritos College for his second year with the Falcons and will be directing the defensive unit. Coach Ancich started his coaching career at St. Paul High School, where he developed a tradition of success and had the program ranked as one of the best in the nation. Ancich left St. Paul to coach at the college level at Northern Arizona University, where he was the offensive coordinator for the Lumberjacks. He returned to California and joined Mazzotta's staff as the defensive coordinator in 1983, where he helped the team win the Pony Bowl. He then moved on to Tustin High School and did an amazing job of bringing the Tillers from a 1-19 record over the past two years to prominence, as they defeated powerful Mater Dei High School two years in a row. Ancich then returned to St. Paul and brought back the tradition and pride the Swordsmen were famous for in his first tenure. It was back to Cerritos last year and got reacquainted with the ups and downs of recruiting and the methodology of community college football

During Coach Ancich's tenure at the high school level, his programs have produced 42 head coaches, which is a standard second to none. He also has produced coaches at the community college and university levels. Rich Smith, one of his ex-players, is currently the defensive coordinator with the Houston Texans. More than 230 of his former players have gone on to play college football, with many playing in the National Football League and all other professional leagues.

Ancich won a state record 339 games and was inducted into the Cal Poly San Luis Obispo Athlete Hall of Fame and the San Pedro Harbor Walk of Fame.

Ancich and his wife Jacquie reside in Whittier.



**TOM CAINES**  
OFFENSIVE LINE

Set to begin his 11th year with the Falcon coaching staff, Caines has done a phenomenal job with the offensive linemen. In the past seven seasons, 17 of the 23 sophomore offensive linemen have earned Division I scholarships. All in all, he has sent 33 linemen on, with 18 of them going to Division I schools. Caines came to Cerritos College with plenty of community college experience, although he had been the head coach at Hacienda Heights Wilson High School for two seasons before coming to Cerritos College. He spent three years as a coach at Mt. San Antonio College, where he handled the inside linebacker duties, and even produced an All-American. In 1996, he led Wilson High to the league championship, as well as the CIF Championship and a 14-0 record. He began his coaching career at Bishop Amat High School, where he spent three seasons as their defensive line coach.

Caines, who was a very good football player in his day, graduated from Damien High School, where he was a two-way starter at linebacker and tight end on their 1982 CIF Championship team and earned All-CIF honors as a senior. He then attended Taft Junior College and earned 2nd Team All-State honors as the Cougars won the 1984 National Championship. Caines then received a scholarship to Long Beach State and led the 49'ers in tackles and was their Captain. In his senior season (1988), he earned 2nd Team All-Pacific Coast Athletic Association honors. The following year, he signed a free agent contract with the Seattle Seahawks.

Caines graduated from Cal State Long Beach in 1989 with a degree in Physical Education and went on to earn his Master's degree in Education from Azusa Pacific University in 1995.

During his coaching career, Caines has produced several very good players at both the high school and community college level, including former Falcon offensive lineman Tupe Peko, who was drafted by the New York Jets and is now with the Green Bay Packers and Anthony Guerrero, who was a starting guard for the Florida Gators and is now in the Arena Football League.

Tom and his wife of 17 years Stacy, reside in La Habra and have three children - Justin, 13, Dillan 8 and Bobby 7.



**ARMANDO COSTELLO**  
WIDE RECEIVERS

In his first season with the Falcon coaching staff, Armando Costello will serve as the wide receivers coach. Prior to coming to Cerritos, Costello spent the last three years as the wide receivers coach at St. Paul High, where he lettered for three seasons and was an all-league tight end.

His playing career continued at the University of Miami (OH), where he lettered for three seasons and earned the Jon Baumes Memorial Award for freshmen football playing during the 1987 season. Costello earned his Bachelor's degree in Political Science from Miami (OH) in 1991.

Costello and his wife have four children and reside in Chino Hills.



**DEAN GROSFELD**  
OFFENSIVE COORDINATOR/QUARTERBACKS

Another former Falcon, Grosfeld is entering his 14th season at Cerritos College and is serving his third year as the Offensive Coordinator. Grosfeld was a former record-setting Falcon quarterback who has great knowledge of the game. He turned down a graduate assistant position at Utah State University after graduation to come home and work with the Falcon quarterbacks. He still holds the single-game record for most passing yards with 388 against Mt. San Antonio in 1991. His 25 pass completions against Palomar that same season are also still the second most ever in a Falcon game. Grosfeld earned his Bachelor's degree in Exercise Science with a minor in Health from Utah State University and completed his Master's degree from Azusa Pacific University in Education and Physical Education.

In six of the last seven seasons, all of the starters have earned scholarships, with Doug Baughman signing a free agent contract in the National Football League



five years ago. Mike Harrison went on to Louisiana State University and graduated, while Glenn DeBerg played at the University of Nebraska-Omaha. Michael Keeling went on to play at Eastern Illinois University, while Kevin Brown earned a scholarship to San Jose State University. Last year's starter, Chad Manis, earned a scholarship to the University of Utah.

Grosfeld, a local product from St. John Bosco High School, was a wide receiver that played in the CIF Championship game at Anaheim Stadium in his sophomore season. He moved to quarterback his junior season and was named his team's Captain, and even threw for 460 yards against Long Beach Poly. He earned All-Del Rey League honors while receiving his team's Coaches Award.

After high school, Grosfeld came to Cerritos, where he set the school's single-season passing record at 1,917 yards (since broken). Playing on the 1991 Mission Conference Championship team, Grosfeld was named All-Mission Conference as well as earning the team's Captain Award and Offensive BYA of the Year Award. After Cerritos, Grosfeld earned a scholarship to Utah State University, where his team won the Big West Championship and won the Silver Bowl. Grosfeld says that he admires his mother for her courage and integrity.

Grosfeld is a full-time instructor on campus, teaching Health and Physical Education classes. Grosfeld, 36, and his wife Kristy have two children, Chase Stephen (2\_) and Shelbie Autumn, who turns one-year-old in November. Grosfeld and his family reside in Cypress.



## MALCOLM HUNT LINEBACKERS

In his first year as an assistant coach, Malcolm Hunt will serve as the linebackers coach. As a former Falcon from 1991-92, Hunt was a defensive back and played on the 1991 Mission Conference North Division championship team. That squad played in the Orange County Bowl, where they were defeated and finished with an 8-3 record. In his sophomore year, the team finished with a 5-5 mark. After finishing his playing career with Cerritos, Hunt earned a scholarship to Chapman University, where he played for two seasons. He played his high school football and Dominguez High, where he experienced

much success and was an All-CIF and All-League selection

Currently, Hunt also runs a sports training and mentoring program, as well as a performing arts program. Since 2002, he has also been a part of League Board Athletics Advisory Inc., a non-profit organization.



## RICH RUIZ OFFENSIVE BACKS

Rich Ruiz moves to the offensive side of the ball this season to work with the offensive backs after spending his first year with the Falcon staff coaching with linebackers. Prior to coming to Cerritos, Ruiz spent 10 years coaching linebackers and running backs for Marijon Ancich at St. Paul High. Currently, two of his former players are now playing in the PAC-10, with Dwight Tardy at Washington State University and Nick Grigsby at the University of Arizona. Additionally, linebacker Matt parent is playing at the University of New Hampshire.

During his playing days, Ruiz was a two-year letterman in football and track and field at St. Paul High and graduated in 1986. As a defensive captain, he saw time at defensive back, while also playing running back and was a teammate of Frank Mazzotta Jr. and current Falcon assistant coach Armando Costello. He was an All-Angelus League selection at defensive back, while also earning All-San Gabriel Valley and All-Whittier Area recognition. Ruiz received a Division 1AA scholarship to Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, where an injury ended his playing career.

A resident of Whittier, Ruiz and his wife Evelyn have four children; Jessica, Rico, Demi and Marcus.



## DAVE SCHLEMMER DEFENSIVE ASSISTANT

Joining the coaching staff for his first season, Coach Schlemmer has a solid background in the coaching field with 15 seasons of experience. Schlemmer is a believer in fundamentals and will work with all of the defensive front positions. His playing career including being a two-year starter at Tustin High and was an all-league selection as a senior. He got an early start on his coaching career, but joining the staff immediately and spent four years there before moving on the Santa Ana Valley High for the next two seasons. He then returned to Tustin High as a varsity assistant before accepting a job at Columbia Heights School in Minnesota. After six years on their staff, Schlemmer and his family moved back to California. Coach Schlemmer is in private business and resides in Tustin with his wife Kara and children Nick, Katie, Joseph and Samantha.



## MARK SCHULIST DEFENSIVE LINE

A former Falcon, Mark Schulist is entering his third year as the defensive line coach for Cerritos College. While with Cerritos College, Schulist started all 11 games on the 1993 team that played in the Orange County Classic Bowl Game. After graduating from Gahr High, Schulist attended Whittier College and started for them at defensive end for one season. He then came to Cerritos and led the defensive line in tackles while earning All-Mission Conference honors and was voted the team's Most Outstanding Defensive Lineman and earned the Coaches BYA Player of the Year Award. He then moved on to the



University of Hawaii before an injury ended his playing career.

Schulist then enrolled at Cal State Fullerton, where he earned his Bachelor's degree in Kinesiology-Exercise Physiology/ Sports Management in 1998 and completed his Master's degree in Physical Education from Azusa Pacific University. In 1999, Schulist returned to Whittier College as a graduate assistant strength and conditioning coach, while he also taught classes and supervised the George Allen Fitness Center. At that same time, he returned to Gahr High as the defensive line coach and head of strength and conditioning for all levels of football. Schulist is beginning his eighth year of teaching at the high school and collegiate level.

Schulist is also certified as a strength and conditioning coach by the NSCA, health/fitness instructor by ACSM and as a club weight training coach by the USWA. Additionally, Schulist is also the head wrestling coach at Gahr High.



**VERN VANDER SLUIS**  
DEFENSIVE ENDS

Third-year Falcon assistant coach Vern Vander Sluis returns to campus, where he played for Cerritos College back in 1978-79. In his freshman season, the team won the South Coast Conference championship and competed in the Avocado Bowl. Over the last 24 years, Vander Sluis has been coaching and came to Cerritos after serving as the head coach at Ocean View High School. Prior to that, he spent 13 years as a defensive coordinator at Ocean View High, Norwalk High, Bellflower High and at Cerritos High.

Coach Vander Sluis resides in La Mirada and has a son (Vince) and two daughters (Krystal and Victoria).



**JAMES WICKS**  
DEFENSIVE BACKS

James Wicks returns for his third season with the Cerritos College coaching staff after serving as an assistant coach at Garfield High since 1998. As a player, Wicks attended Paramount High before transferring to El Camino College and playing for two seasons with the Warriors. He then moved on to Cal State Northridge, where he graduated and has been coaching in the Los Angeles Unified School District since 1998.



**LLOYD WILSON**  
ASSISTANT OFFENSIVE LINE COACH

Back in 2000-01 Lloyd Wilson was the starting center for the Cerritos College Falcons and now returns for his third year as an assistant offensive line coach. He was one of the anchors of a team that passed for a school-record 2,260 yards his freshman year and went on to be a member of two Strawberry Bowl championship teams. After attending Granada Hills Kennedy High, Wilson enrolled at Cerritos College and went on to earn his Associate of Arts degree in Humanities before accepting a scholarship to Eastern Michigan University. While at Eastern Michigan, Wilson was a two-year player and went on to earn a scholar-athlete award, as well as being named to the Top Ten Scholar Award and was one of the team's co-captains.

Wilson went on to earn his Bachelor's degree in the College of Arts and Sciences with a major in communications and graduated with a 3.21 grade point average. His first coaching assignment was at Long Beach Wilson High, where he served as an offensive line coach and assistant strength and conditioning coach.



**REFUGIO ESTRADA**  
EQUIPMENT MANAGER

Refugio Estrada is currently in his 19th season serving as the equipment manager for the football, baseball and track and field teams at Cerritos College. He is responsible for distributing, as well as maintaining the quality of the equipment. At times, Estrada can be seen working on several football players' equipment problems at once, and is considered a vital part of the team's success over the years.

A former Falcon athlete himself, he is better known as "Poonie", and was a to-year letterman in both cross-country and track and field. His specialty was the 5000 meters and he went on to earn the team's Most Improved Runner. While at Mark Keppel High School, Estrada was a two-year letterman on the cross-country and track and field teams. He was selected his team's Most Valuable Performer for cross-country.

After graduating from Cerritos College with an A.A. in Physical Education, Estrada moved on to Cal State Fullerton and ran cross-country for one season, earning their Athlete of the Year Award.

Estrada and his wife Maria have two children - 11-year old daughter, Desiree and son Matthew, who is 7 - and reside in Norwalk.

