



POLE VAULT SAFETY CERTIFICATION BOARD

ADVISORS

Our advisory board has contributed greatly to this project. Without their dedication, it would be impossible to offer such an extensive course of instruction and testing. They come from wide and varied backgrounds, with extensive experience at all levels of pole vaulting. Most important of all, they share a common goal: The improvement of pole vaulting safety through standardization of facilities, equipment, and teaching practices, at all levels of participation.

Dave Nielson

MS. Physical Education Idaho State University
Head Track Coach Idaho State University
Former World class pole vaulter
20 years college PV coaching experience
Coach of Olympic Champion Stacy Dragila
Many Publications
NCAA PV Safety Task force

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National Academy of Sports Medicine
Vice President, Strategic Integration
15 years as a world class pole vaulter (PR 19'5")
1997 World Championships Bronze medallist

Talen Singer

BS Education Westchester Univ
8 years Phoenixville, Pa HS jumps coach
HS science teacher
10 years HS and college PV coaching exp

Eddie Seese

Chairman ASTM Pole Vaulting facilities and equipment task force
Owner Personnel Record sports
20 years US Navy
40 years pole vaulting experience
Master official
Author of many PV articles
USAT&F men's PV club development person

James Brown

Arroyo Grande HS, Ca
BS Physical Education Cal Poly State University
HS Math teacher / Head track coach
27 years HS PV experience
Only coach in HS History to coach 16' male, and 13' female same season

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Maine South HS, Chicago, Illinois
Founder Illinois Pole Vault association
25 years HS English teacher / pole vault coach
Director Airtime Pole Vault club- Chicago, Illinois

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USAT&F Pole Vault National PV Safety Chair
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1972 Olympic Bronze medallist
Director Sky Jumpers Vertical Sports club

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Greg Duplantis

Former World Class Pole Vaulter -19' 1/4" (5.80m)
Two time IAAF Grand Prix finalist
Former National HS Record Holder
BS Finance 1986
Juris Doctor LSU Law Center 1996
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Co-National Coach for USATF Pole Vault Development
USATF Master Coach in the Jumps
Founder and director of Sky Athletics Vault club, Phoenix, Arizona
Coach of 2000 Olympic Mens Champion Nick Hysong
Former High School and University level coach for over 20 years greg hull

Earl Bell

Owner/ Director Bell Athletics indoor pole vault training center- Jonesboro, Arkansas USAT&F Hall of Fame member 2002U
USOC Track & Field coach of the year 1998
Coach of Jeff Hartwig American Record Holder 19-9 Olympian, 1976, 1984, 1988- Bronze medalist 1984
Former world record holderearl bell

Anthony Curren

Owner No Limit Sports PV club, Los Angeles, Ca
20 years as pole vault coach at UCLA
3 time Olympic Trials qualifier
PR 18'8 1/2" (5.60m)
California State HS meet record holder 17'1"
Coach of many elite vaulters including: Mary Sauer, Mel Mueller, Stephany McCann, and Tracy Ohara

Robert Wahl

PA State Chairperson
National Olympic Pole Vault Development and Education Committee
NFHS Official
7 years, Altoona, PA volunteer HS and Jr. High Pole Vault Coach
16 years college, high school, and junior high PV coaching experience
AA Mathematics/Science, Atlantic-Cape (NJ) Community College
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16 years, Sociology Instructor, Penn State University

Lane Lohr

Head Men's and Women's Track Coach
Director of Physical Education and Varsity Football Defensive Coordinator at Mary Institute and St. Louis Country Day School
Five time All-American and two-time Olympic Trials finalist
1989 IAAF Grand Prix finalist
Personal Best of 18-8 1/4