

St. Pius X High School

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Bingham brings his track and field coaching expertise to St. Pius X High School

FESTUS, MO - The newest addition to the St. Pius X High School coaching staff is one of the most well-known and well-respected track and field coaches in the midwest. Vince Bingham is an assistant coach for the Lancers track and field program, having joined the team this spring.

“For us to have a coach of this caliber on our staff is an incredible honor,” St. Pius X Athletic Director Tilden Watson said. “In the short time that he’s been here, I’ve already seen a significant impact on our student-athletes and their performance. His base of knowledge and ability to work with our students, regardless of their ability level, really gives us an edge.”

Inducted into the Missouri Track & Field/Cross Country Coaches Hall of Fame in 2014, Bingham has coached at powerhouse college programs such as the University of Missouri and University of Kansas and a variety of other schools - Missouri Baptist, Lindenwood, Southern Illinois - Carbondale, Lincoln, Neosho County CC, and most recently Maryville University.

While leading the Missouri Baptist program, the Spartans won NAIA national championships in 2006 in both the indoor and outdoor meets. He was an assistant on Lindenwood’s men’s indoor national championship squad in 1998, and he has helped coach 14 different athletes to NAIA championships.

This record of success continues to the Olympics - Bingham has coached seven Olympians in field events: Nickesha Anderson (Jamaica 2008), Ibrahim Bashir (Kuwait 2004), Brittany Borman (United States 2012 & 2016), Nikki Holder (Canada 2012), Randy Lewis (Grenada 2004 & 2008), Lanece Clarke (Bahamas 2016) and John Ampoham (Ghana 2016).

Bingham previously coached in the high school ranks at Festus, Pattonville, Hillsboro and Crystal City, where his team won a Class 2A state championship. He currently serves the Ozark Youth Association as USATF Executive Board Member and Ozark AAU as Sport Chair, and is a member of the Coaches Associations for the NCAA, USTFCCCA, and MSHSAA.

Bingham earned his bachelor’s degree from Missouri Baptist University and is in the process of earning his master’s from Lindenwood University.