



GREG FLASKA, COACH TRACK & FOOTBALL

One of the cornerstone coaches during the Mustangs sports emergence during the 70's,80's,and 90's, Greg Flaska helped the Mustangs earn a series of All-Sports trophies during a 12 year stretch. Coach Flaska, a great athlete in his own right, brought his expertise to Portage and helped the Mustangs to multiple conference championships and one state runner-up in football , he was later inducted to the Michigan High School football coaches association hall of fame. As the head track and field coach, Flaska led the Mustangs to 11 conference championships, while producing 3 individual state champions. Remembered by the students as great motivator, with a great knowledge for statistics, Coach Flaska had a great way of showing interest in other athletes in the hallways of Portage Central.

Biggest thrill in athletics: "just a few: breaking the WMU receiving records, coaching in the 1977 football championship game, coaching the 1984 track team to undefeated season, and coaching my daughter in track. "

PORTAGE CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL and OTHER HONORS

Track

- Men's Varsity Coach from 1978-2002
- Overall record of 134-76-2 including 4 conference championships
- Women's Varsity Coach from 1989-2002
- Overall record of 99-13-3 including 7 conference championships

Football

- Varsity Football head assistant coach from 1972-2002
- Helped lead Portage Central to a 203-94 record winning 14 conference championships and 10 MHSAA playoff appearances
- Named the 1986 MHSAA Assistant Coach of the Year
- In 1997, inducted into the Michigan High School Football Coaches Association Hall of Fame
- Chosen to coach in the 1988 East/West All-Star Game

Personal Accomplishments

- Graduated from Muskegon High School in 1967 achieving all-state honors in football
- Lettered three years at Western Michigan University earning All-MAC honors in 1969 and 1970 as an offensive end
- Broke three receiving records: 1) most passes caught in a game (9), 2) most passes caught in a career (69), and 3) most receiving yards in a career (982)
- In 1980, selected as one of 15 players to WMU's All-Time Team
- Drafted by the New York Jets but not able to fulfill his dream because of a knee injury
- For the past 11 years, Greg has coached Women's Track at Thornapple Kellogg High school highlighted by being able to coach his daughter Jessica