

Ryan Chapatte

Girls Program Director, High School Girls Coach

Ryan has been playing or coaching water polo since 1994. He just finished his 19th season as head coach for the Soquel High Girls program. In that time his program has won 16 league titles (including the last 12 straight) and made 5 CCS title game appearances, winning the Open Division in 2021 & 2022 after being runner-up in 2018 (Open), 2016 (Div 2) and 2014 (Div 2).

He has had many players selected to the NISCA All-American teams with some of those athletes moving on to play at Cal, SJSU, Long Beach St., UC Davis, Indiana and McKendree University. He has been voted league Coach of the Year numerous times and was the recipient of the CCS Honor Coach award in 2018. He was also named as the 2019-20 California Coaches Association Girls Water Polo Coach of the Year.

In addition to coaching the Soquel High Girls, he is also the SCWPC Girls Program Director, 18u Girls head coach and an Olympic Development Program (ODP) coach for the Pacific Zone Girls Cadet team.

Ryan's water polo career began when he was 13, playing for Marcelo Adas's original water polo club, Soquel Wax'em. He played for Marcelo at Soquel High where they won 4 straight league titles. In his senior season Soquel High reached the CCS finals for the first time in school history but fell to Bellermino 7-5. That year Ryan was named SCCAL MVP, CCS Player of the Year and was a 1st Team All-American selection.

After high school Ryan received a partial scholarship to play water polo at Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles where he was a four-year starter. He finished his LMU career with 152 goals scored (11th All-time), 137 steals (4th All-time) and was a 2x Western Water Polo Association (WWPA) 1st Team selection. In 2003, his senior season, he was named captain. That year his LMU team won the WWPA Championship, placed 3rd in the NCAA Championship and finished the season ranked 7th in the nation.