



CYPRESS HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL



COACHES

2025 Summaries

John Weber—Head Varsity Coach (20th season head coach; 21st at Cypress)

John Weber continues to lead the Centurion baseball program into the 2025 season as the longest tenured baseball coach in Cypress history. Under Weber, the Centurions have won the 2013 CIF-SS Division 2 championship, and the 2019 CIF-SS Division 1 title. With the 2019 season's championship run came much recognition. The team was named the Perfect Game National Champions. Coach Weber was honored as the USA Today National High School Coach of the Year 2019, the Max Preps National Coach of the Year 2019, Cal-Hi State Coach of the Year 2019, and the CIF-SS Division 1 Coach of the Year. Now in his 20th season as head coach and 21st with Cypress baseball he has continued and expanded upon the proud heritage that had been established at Cypress. In his first season at Cypress in 2005, he helped lead the team to its first CIF championship as an assistant coach. Prior to coaching at Cypress, Weber was an assistant at Los Alamitos High School and Santa Ana College. Coach Weber gained valuable experience working for legendary former head coach Don Sneddon at Santa Ana College for 10 years. While assisting Coach Sneddon, the Dons won state championships in 1995 and 1996. In addition, Coach Weber was a head coach in the Alaskan summer league for several years, instructing college players. Coach Weber is an excellent instructor and motivator who can teach all aspects of the game on offense, defense, and pitching. He takes pride in teaching the mental side of the game as he prepares players for each season, each game, and each play. His knowledge and personality have created great relationships with his former players over the years at Cypress. Coach takes pride in his field and has worked to continually improve the facility each year, making the Cypress Baseball field one of the most pristine in the county. Coach Weber currently serves on the CIF-SS Advisory Committee for baseball to make recommendations and improvements for high school baseball in the Southern Section. Coach was an assistant for the USA 15U team in the summer of 2023 in which they won all their international games. He has also served with USA Baseball's Task Force Staff in 2014 and 2015 for the 12U team, 2015 with the 18U team, and 2021 for the 14U team in Arizona and North Carolina helping to evaluate players and select the USA teams. In his 19 years as head coach at Cypress, Web's teams have won 15 Empire League championships and two CIF championships. He has been named the OC Register's 2013 Coach of the Year and the 2019 LA Times Southland Coach of the Year. His teams have won at least 20 games in 14 of his 19 seasons. He has had numerous Cypress players that have gone on to play professionally or collegiately, highlighted by Jarren Duran the 2024 MLB All-Star Game MVP. Among other distinguished alumni are David Fletcher (Angels, Braves), Adam Wilk (LB State; Tigers MLB debut 2011), Mike Morrison (CS Fullerton; Tigers), Josh Vitters (3rd pick overall 2007, Cubs MLB debut 2012), David Nick (4th rd. 2009 D-Backs), Tyler Alamo (23rd rd. Cubs), Dominic Fletcher (Arkansas; Diamondbacks 2nd round 2019 draft pick), , and Nick Montgomery (5th rd. draft pick, Braves 2024). Coach Weber has been teaching Special Education at Cypress for the past 27 years and holds a degree from Cal State Fullerton. He lives in Long Beach with his wife, Gina, and their two children, Mia, 23, and Miles, 20.

Conrad Colby--Varsity Assistant Coach (8th season)

Conrad Colby is back for the 8th season of his 2nd stint with the Centurions. In his first stint, he coached the Cypress JV team in 2004. Coach is a 1988 graduate of Estancia High School. He was the Sea View League MVP as a senior along with being named 1st Team All-CIF, All-Orange County, and a participant in the 1988 Kiwanis club of Orange County All Star Game. From Estancia, Colby went on to Santa Ana College and twice was named as a 1st team All-Orange Empire Conference selection. His success at Santa Ana landed him a scholarship to continue playing baseball at Texas A&M. As an Aggie, he won the team's Triple Crown, leading the team in batting average/home runs/rbi, and Team MVP while also being selected as an All-Regional performer at the LSU regional playoff. Following his playing days, Coach Colby earned his Bachelor's Degree and Teaching Credential from Long Beach State. He has worked in AUHSD for the last 23 years, coaching and teaching at various locations in the district, including coaching at Kennedy as the head baseball coach for several seasons. Coach lives in the city of Orange with his wife of 21 years, Jeorjii.

Gary Moreno--Varsity Assistant Coach (6th season)

Coach Moreno is in his 6th season as an assistant varsity coach for the Centurions. Coach Moreno enjoys working with the team and coaching staff. You will find Coach Moreno guiding the Centurions from the 1st base coaching box, and is a calming voice in the dugout analyzing the game and coaching players. Coach Moreno provides valuable wisdom to each and every player helping them achieve their potential. He will be a valuable asset to the staff in all areas of the game.

Stan Grebeck--Varsity Assistant Coach (5th season)

Coach Stan comes back for his 5th season as a varsity assistant coach. He will work primarily with the infielders, as the fielding guru, and baserunning as the 3rd base coach. Coach Stan is a passionate baseball man, and tireless worker. Coach Grebeck is always up for any task necessary to help the baseball program, whether that is coaching a young ball player on the field or caring for the field and facility. You will see Coach Stan regularly grooming the infield to prep it just right for all defenders. Coach is retired from UPS after 37 years, but stays busy training ball players year round. He prepped at Lakewood High School and played collegiately at Cal State Dominguez Hills.

John Short--Varsity Assistant Coach (7th season)

After 3 seasons as the Frosh coach and 2 as the JV, Coach Short will again be a varsity assistant in 2025. Coach Short volunteered his time in 2019 as an assistant lower level coach, continuing his long-time support of the Centurions in any way that is needed. As a fiery baseball man, Coach Short will instill the values of commitment, hard-work, and the fundamentals needed to be successful in the baseball program. Coach Short has learned much since his days as a Centurion, where he is a 2005 graduate. He has been involved in coaching baseball for several years in the Cypress Youth Baseball program, with travel ball teams, and for the high school in 2019. When Coach Short isn't at the ballfield coaching, you can still find him at the field at the ballfield grooming and manicuring the field or coaching his daughter in flag football. He enjoys spending time with his family at the river, wakeboarding, and fishing. Coach Short's son, John, is now a senior in the baseball program on the varsity team here at Cypress. Coach lives locally in Anaheim with his wife, Vanessa, and their two children, John and Ava.

Isaak Gutierrez--Junior Varsity Coach (2nd season)

Coach Gutierrez enters his 2nd season as a Centurion coach after graduating from Cypress High School in 2016. Coach Ice has a storied history as a player dating back to his early days beginning at 9 years old. He played for the #1 team in the nation from ages 9-14 (Tomateros de California). Then, he represented the USA National Team from 2011-2013, traveling to Venezuela, Dominican Republic, and Colombia, with a record of 20-0 in international play. He began his high school journey at St. John Bosco High School in Bellflower, CA for 3 years before transferring to Cypress High School for the final year. He played Varsity all 4 years. Following high school, Coach received a scholarship to Bethune-Cookman University in Daytona Beach, Florida, where he earned a bachelor's degree in Business Administration. At Bethune Cookman he was part of the 2016 team who went to the Gainesville Regional and beat #1 Florida to advance to a winner take all game. Some of his playing day accolades include USSSA Player of the Year (2009, 2010); 2-time Gold Medal

recipient (2011, 2013); 4 year Varsity starter (2012-2016); Empire League Champion (2016); First-Team All League (2016); and a MEAC Conference Champion (2017). Coach Ice is excited to continue his coaching journey with the Centurions.

Brandon Alamo--Junior Varsity Coach (1st season)

Coach Alamo embarks on his inaugural season as a Centurion coach, guiding the Junior Varsity team. A 2015 Cypress High School graduate, he was a three-year letter winner and a pivotal member of the baseball program under Coach Weber. During his high school career, he contributed to three Empire League Championships, earned All-Empire League honors thrice, and was a key player on the 2013 CIF-SS Division 2 championship team. Following his high school career, Alamo continued his baseball journey at Cypress College and Stony Brook University. He was part of the 2016 California Community College state tournament Final Four team and the 2019 American East Conference Championship team, earning 2nd team All-Conference recognition in the latter. With a strong family legacy in Cypress baseball, Alamo is thrilled to return to his alma mater as a coach. He aims to impart the values and lessons he learned on the field to the next generation of Centurions. Coach Alamo will collaborate with Coach Gutierrez to lead the Junior Varsity squad.

James Acuna--Junior Varsity Coach (2nd season)

Coach Acuna begins his 2nd season as a Cypress High School coach. He is a 4 year graduate of Cypress high school in 2016, and a 3 year varsity starting pitcher earning Empire League Pitcher of the Year in 2015. Following Cypress High, Coach Acuna went on to play division 1 baseball as a pitcher at the University of Oregon for 2 years then transferred to Azusa Pacific for 1 year. He was drafted in the 2019 MLB draft in the 29th round by the Atlanta Braves and continues to be part of their organization. Coach is currently finishing his BA in Leadership Studies and plans to get back into professional baseball following his recovery from Tommy John surgery. Coach is eager to mold the young Centurions into competitive and skilled athletes in preparation for the next level in high school baseball.

Charles Williams—Head Freshman Coach (16th season)

Coach Williams begins his 16th season as the Frosh coach. He had been the frosh coach from 2007-2018 before taking a few years off. Now he is back! He has been a long time supporter and booster of the athletic programs at Cypress, working diligently to raise funds for the Centurion football and baseball programs. His attentive work has led to several successful fundraising ventures to improve facilities and equipment for the entire program. Coach Williams has coached numerous teams in youth leagues over the years and has had all of his sons play in the baseball program and graduate from Cypress High School. Coach Williams is using his experience as a coach and father to instill skills and team play into the young Centurions. You can see coach tirelessly working to maintain the lower level fields throughout the year. Coach has consistently been at the top of the former Empire League each season with his freshmen squads and certainly will put a competitive team on the field this year. Coach is also the voice of the Centurions football team, as the PA announcer for the last 18 seasons. Coach Williams was the 2019 City of Cypress Citizen of the Year. Among the many community events he takes on are organizing the CHP Annual Toy Drive with many community youth and athletic groups, and heading the Champions Baseball Barbeque for Special Needs kids.