

Donna Kelly-Jackson is entering her 32nd year of coaching High School Track & Field in the state of Illinois. She is currently the Horizontal Jumps coach at Lincoln-Way East High School. Prior to joining the staff at Lincoln-Way East, she served as an Assistant Coach at Mother McAuley High School, and Head Coach at both T.F. South High School and St. Martin de Porres .



During her tenure as a horizontal coach Donna has had 14 State Qualifiers of which 8 of those 14 made the podium in Charleston. She has had both a State Champion and Runner-Up finish in the Long Jump with athletes from two different schools. Her expertise goes far beyond that of a horizontal jumps, as she is very proficient in the areas of sprints and relays, and also very knowledgeable in physical fitness and the development of athletes. Her professional career as a personal trainer has provided her with an acute awareness on what is needed to improve athletes in all areas of strength, fitness, balance, mobility, and flexibility.

Beyond the X's and O's of training and technical knowledge of the sport, one of her greatest attributes is her ability to make positive connections with kids. She is an amazing role model for young ladies to look up to and truly cares about all of her athletes which results in unbreakable and lifelong bonds.

After graduating high school from Seton Academy in South Holland, Illinois, Donna Kelly-Jackson attended Indiana University and was a 4-year member of the track team as a triple jumper in the Big 10. Donna is currently the owner and personal trainer of K&M Fitness after an extensive career as a personal trainer at East Bank Club, Chicago's premiere health club. Donna currently resides in Flossmoor, Illinois with her husband Jeff and their two daughters Kayla and Micah.