

Buck Dawson

Born in Bradshaw, West Virginia.

Attended Ceredo Kenova High School until Junior year high school and was a four sport athlete in football, basketball, baseball and track.

1955 Graduated from high school in Coal Grove, Ohio where he was a four-sport athlete in football, basketball, baseball, and track.

Recruited by Woody Hayes to play football at Ohio State, but transferred to Morehead State after one season with the Buckeyes.

1960- Graduates from Morehead State in Kentucky.
Played football and baseball.

1961- Named Head Track and Field Coach and Assistant Football Coach at Lafayette High School in Lexington, Kentucky.

Wins two state championships and tied for a third.

1963-Commissioned as a Kentucky Colonel

1964- Named Head Football Coach and Head Track and Field Coach at Millersburg Military Institute in Kentucky.

Coaches football team to a combined 26-5 record.

Wins 1966 State Championship in Track and Field.

1965- Earns Master's degree from Georgetown (KY) College.

1967- Named Assistant Football Coach at West Virginia State College.

1968- Named WVSC Head Track and Field Coach
Wins five straight conference titles.

1972- WVSC team qualified for IndoorNAIA championships in Kansas City, Kansas

1973- " " qualified for NAIA Track and Field Championship in Billings,,Montana

1973- Named Head Track and Field/Cross Country Coach at Morehead State.

1974- Named Ohio Valley Conference Coach of the Year.

1974- Named to West Virginia Intercollegiate Athletic Conference's all-time coaches list to mark the league's 50th anniversary.

1977- Led Morehead State to the OVC Indoor Track and Field championship.

The track at Morehead State was name the A.L. "Buck Dawson" Track.

1979- Came to Florida and taught at several schools in Polk County.

Coached former Gator All-American and Olympian, Keith Brantley.

1991- Named Head Cross Country Coach at Warner Southern College.

1993- Named Florida Sun Conference Men's Cross Country Coach of the Year.

1993- Named Florida Sun Conference Women's Cross Country Coach of the Year.

1993- Warner Southern College XC team qualified for NAIA championship in Kenosha, Wisconsin.

1994- WSC XC qualified for NAIA championship in Kenosha, Wisconsin.

1995- Named Head Cross Country Coach at Florida Southern College.

2001- Inducted into the West Virginia State College Hall of Fame.

2001- Inducted into the Morehead State Athletic Hall of Fame.

2002-Titled a True Legend – FSC Southern News

2006- Inducted into the Florida Southern College Athletic Hall of Fame.

2007- Retired from head coaching at Florida Southern, remained as assistant coach.

Under Dawson, FSC Men's Team's won or shared 11 conference titles.

With three trips to the NCAA Division II Championships.

FSC Women's Teams won 6 conference titles.

With three trips to the NCAA Division II Championships.

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Named SSC Conference Men's Coach of the Year 10 times.

Named SSC Conference Women's Coach of the Year 6 times.

Named to Florida SSC Silver Anniversary all-time Coaches list to mark the conference's 25th anniversary

2008- Inducted into the Sunshine State Conference Hall of Fame in Orlando, Florida.

2008- Inducted into the Polk County Hall of Fame in Lakeland, Florida.

2008- 2010 Assistant at Montreat College, Cross Country and Track & Field
Montreat, North Carolina

2010- Inducted into the Kentucky Track & Cross Country Hall of Fame, in
Lexington, Kentucky.

2010- Volunteer assistant coach, Morehead State University, Cross Country and Track

Total Times Qualified for National Championships:

NCAA D1 - 2 times

NCAA D2 - 7 times

NAIA 8 times

2011-2012 Assistant volunteer Golf Coach, Morehead State University