

John Bond

1976	3-14
1977	10-10
1978	12-7
1979	21-5
1980	22-3
1981	14-11
1982	21-2
1983	16-16
1984	21-9
1985	19-5
1986	26-7
1987	22-8
1988	13-14
1989	15-9
1990	23-5
1991	30-2
1992	31-2
1993	23-5
1994	21-9
1995	5-4
1996	8-5
2001	14-14
2002	12-11
2003	17-13
2004	14-12
2005	19-10
2006	10-15
2007	14-12
2008	16-9
Total:	492-248

Won region in 1984 and 1986

Won All "A" state in 1991 and 1992

Won 10 district championships

Dear Sir:

Coach John Bond is of my favorite coaches and people.

During my high school years while being coached by him is when I truly became committed to the game of basketball and my love for it grew deep. He was a tough coach yet a very good teacher of the game. Two of the most impactful lessons he instilled in us as a team were accountability and discipline. His commitment to us mirrored the commitment he taught us to have for and to each other as teammates.

He consistently modeled integrity in his coaching in the lessons he taught us. It did not matter to him how good you were. He was committed to holding a star player to the same standard as the least known or skilled player on the team. I remember when he sent one of our best players out of the gym for loafing and did not let her play in a big upcoming game against Oneida. We were all so mad at him. But, looking back I understand completely. I am thankful I was a part of that environment and I wish there were more coaches who had the courage to manage their teams that way today.

A few years ago he was in a hospital in Lexington and I took my daughter to meet him. He shared a lot of his wisdom with her, stats of his former players and our opponents. She was in awe of his knowledge of the game in general, as well as the pointers he gave her after watching video of her playing basketball. He complimented and encouraged her and shared pointers to help her be successful. But even more important, he spoke with her about her character, being a good teammate, and being proud that he could see those good things in her foundation as a young leader, already established. It was a special moment.

Coach Bond was a great coach and a good man who genuinely cares. He continues to keep in touch and support us. I am extremely grateful to have had his influence during my high school years, on and off the court.

Monica Owens  
Georgetown, KY

Mr. Bond was the best of the best. I learned more from this man as a coach than from any coach. I missed him terribly when I began my collegiate career because it was evident that my college coach lack the skills coach Bond had.

Coach Bond taught me that hard work on the court produces success. I did not know it then but I would adopt that same attitude in the classroom, as well as in my daily life. I thank God for coach Bond and will forever be grateful that God placed me in his presence for that period of time.

Lolita Mallory-Smothers  
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