

# James Franssen, Okanagan Mission Secondary Coach

## *About James Franssen:*

James Franssen is a teacher-coach at Okanagan Mission Secondary in Kelowna. He's been coaching for eight years. His first year coaching was as a football assistant at Kalamalka Secondary. He currently coaches both basketball and football at OKM.

## *Why He Became a Coach:*

"I worked under some incredible coaches who taught me a great deal. I was fortunate to have great coaches and role models growing up, and still love sports. It is rewarding to see athletes grow and excel."



## *Most Rewarding Experience as a Coach:*

"Tough call - every season has its rewards. Going to the provincial quarter-finals with football a few years ago was great."

## *In His Spare Time:*

"Taking part in sports myself, traveling, spending time with family and friends."

## *What Coaching Has Brought to His Life:*

"Continued enjoyment of sports, sense of accomplishment."

## *Biggest Challenges as a Coach:*

"Finding enough hours in a day!"

## *What Athletes Look for in a Good Coach:*

"Someone with passion and experience, as well as caring about their players."

