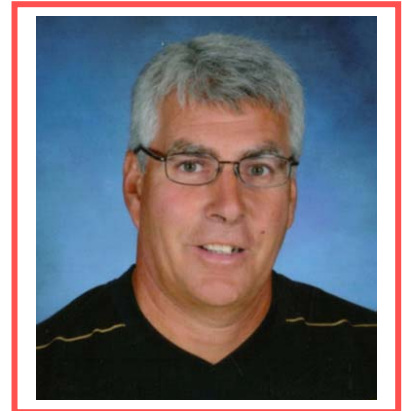


Brian Loader, South Kamloops Sec.

Coach

About Brian Loader:

Brian Loader is a math and PE teacher at South Kamloops Secondary. He presently coaches the senior girls soccer team and, throughout his career, has coached a number of sports including volleyball, rugby and track and field.



Why He Became a Coach:

“Remembering my high school days, really it was all about sports. I guess I wanted to provide opportunities for kids that I had. There was always someone to run a program.”

Most Rewarding Experience as a Coach:

“Listening to the kids when we travel. The excitement and the laughter that they bring. When I sit in the front of the bus and hear the laughter and enthusiasm from my athletes I feel like I have given something to them. They have a bond that no other kids at the school experience!”

Biggest Challenges:

“Time by far. Athletes today are pulled in many different directions. I try to work with all the community sports programs so that no one is penalized for wanting to play both in the school and community.”



What do Athletes look for in a Coach:

“Someone who cares, trusts and believes in them. Someone who is knowledgeable and passionate about the sport. And someone who is willing to put in the time with them every day (regardless of the circumstance).”

What has Coaching Brought to Your Life:

“Coaching has given me a perspective of how busy kids really are today. Also how much they really can handle. It has allowed me to involve my family (my wife, son and daughter) in coaching teams together. We get to argue now on strategy and line ups. (They both played through high school and at the college level) some interesting discussions take place!”