

2024 BCAM COLLEGE COACHES OF THE YEAR

Tony Barbee – Central Michigan University – Men’s College Coach of the Year

Coach Barbee just completed his third season at the helm of Central Michigan's basketball team, and the progress is undeniable. Each year the Chippewas have improved their win totals, culminating in 18 wins this season. Competing in the extremely competitive Mid American Conference, Coach Barbee's team this season amassed an impressive 12 conference wins this season, placing them 4th overall in the conference. This year's success found the former Auburn and UTEP head coach as a finalist for the National BEN JOBE Coach of the Year award, and has earned this year's 2024 BCAM COACH OF THE YEAR Honor.

Jim Horn – Kalamazoo Valley Community College – Men’s Junior College Coach of the Year

Ever since coming out of COVID, Coach Jim Horn and the Kalamazoo Valley Cougars have been on a tear, culminating with an undefeated regular season and winning the West Division of the Michigan Junior College Athletic Association this season. For the past three years, Coach Horn's Cougars have been near the top of the standings, posting a 10-2 conference record last year, along with 23 total wins. This year, the Cougs took it another step and went undefeated in conference play, and won an impressive 24 games overall. The former Portage Northern basketball coach has been at the helm for KVCC since 2015 and has won well over 100 games during this time. He is the 2 time NJCAA Western Conference Coach of the Year, and this year's recipient of the 2024 BCAM Junior College COACH OF THE YEAR!