

2017 Dr. Thomas Fleck Award

Vince Ganzberg

For nearly three decades, Vince Ganzberg has helped to push the game of soccer forward as a coach, instructor and educator. His influence has been felt everywhere from the high school to state to national levels, and he has served as a proponent of the importance of coaching at the youngest age groups.



Ganzberg currently works as an education content coordinator for United Soccer Coaches and is the education director for the Indy Premier Soccer Club. He has been a member of the United Soccer Coaches Academy Staff, U.S. Soccer’s National Staff and a CONCACAF instructor. Ganzberg has also played a large role in US Youth Soccer, as he served from 2002 to 2011 as the director of education for Indiana Soccer. He was inducted into the Indiana Soccer Hall of Fame in 2015.

The Indiana native first became involved in soccer as a player when he was in fifth grade, and he got his first taste of coaching while in college when he ran soccer clinics for inner city children while working for Indianapolis Parks for a summer. Soon after, in 1990, he began coaching teams at the high school level.

Ganzberg spent 15 years as a high school coach and also coached the women’s soccer team at his alma mater, Bethel College. For his efforts as a player at Bethel — where he was a four-time team MVP and a three-time team captain — Ganzberg was inducted into the Bethel College Hall of Fame in 2008.

With a degree in secondary education and a passion for soccer, Ganzberg combined the two into years of contributions to coaching education in the sport. While working in the U.S. Soccer Coaching Education Department, he assisted in improving content and delivery on the U.S. Soccer ‘E,’ ‘D’ and ‘C’ license courses and authored the U.S. Soccer ‘F’ license course.

Ganzberg resides in Avon, Ind. He has a wife, Amy, one son and two stepdaughters.