



If you lived in Boyd County long enough you've heard of him. If you are a Spartan basketball fan, then you love him. For 29 years straight Jim Carlson coached the Spartan basketball players to countless victories. If you talked to Carlson about his career of being the Spartan coach, he would tell you all about the state championships they won in 2002 and 2003. Two years in a row! The Spartans also were runner ups for the Championships in 2001 and 2006.

When Carlson came to Boyd County High School, he followed a very successful coach. Carlson also had to deal with the struggle of all the new faces that came that year as well. But, during his coaching years, during a 10 year period Mr. Carlson's team won 93 percent of the games they played.

His time is now spent coaching junior high sports such, as basketball, football and track. Though doing this is less stressful than high school sports, Carlson would never say no to coaching once again. Because of all the experience he has coaching, he makes a great substitution for when other coaches are gone.

With all the years of coaching, Carlson is still close to his players. Even if they have graduated and moved on to start their own lives, Carlson is still good friends and can even see some of his players that still live here in little old Boyd Country. Carlson even said himself he likes to call or text old players when he needs advice for coaching.