



Congratulations

Scott Gann

THS Baseball
Head Coach



Teneeshia Boyd

THS Track & Field
Head Coach



THS Promotes Assistants To Head Coaches

TUPELO, Miss. — When it came to hiring new baseball and track & field head coaches, Tupelo High School didn't have to look too far.

In an interview process that included numerous candidates for each position, Golden Wave officials felt the best route was within — Scott Gann for baseball and Teneeshia Jones-Boyd for track & field.

“We set out to hire the best people to serve our student-athletes, and we wanted the perfect fit,” athletics director Jason Miller said. “As it turned out, we already had them on campus. Both are great leaders with a championship pedigree. They are well respected and know what it takes to compete at the highest level in Mississippi.”

Prior to joining Justin Reed's staff at THS in 2019, Gann spent eight highly-successful years as the head coach at Houston.

Posting a mark of 187-75-2, he led the Hilltoppers to three district titles and was North Half champions twice.

In 2016, he reached the top of the mountain by guiding his alma mater to the coveted state championship. That year, the 2007 Mississippi State graduate earned numerous Coach of the Year accolades.

As an assistant under Reed, who retired from coaching at the end of this past season, he was the hitting coordinator and coached outfielders and catchers.

“Tupelo High School is where excellence is tradition, and the baseball program is no different,” Gann said. “From first-round draft picks to World Series champs, to College World Series champs, excellence is the standard and Champs is the theme. Our plan is to continue the expectation of success.”

A native of Nettleton, Jones-Boyd is one of the most decorated athletes her hometown has seen.

After a stellar five-year high school career with the Tigers, where she won the 100- and 200-yard dash every year, along with the 100-meter hurdles, she went on to an All-American career at Ole Miss under legendary coach Joe Walker.

She was an eight-time All-American and the 2001 SEC Champion in the 100-meter hurdles. Her highest national finish was third at the 2000 NCAA Indoor Championships in the 60-meter dash.

Jones-Boyd still held several school records, including the 100-meter dash (11.24), the 200-meter dash (22.97), and the 100-meter hurdles (13.27) for outdoor and the 60-meter (7.28), 200-meter (23.26, and 60-meter hurdles (8.20) for indoor.

She scored 78.5 total SEC points in her-career, a school record at the time. She helped lead the Rebels to their first Top 20 national finish in 2000 at No. 18.

In 2019, she was named an SEC Legend.

“I’ve learned anything is possible with God,” she said. “I’ve had the best coaches along the way prepare me for this, I look forward to this new challenge and the opportunity to lead this great program. The tradition is set, and I can’t wait to bring continued success.”

In addition to her assistant coach duties at THS, where she helped many runners capture individual state titles, she has also served as the head coach of the girls’ cross country team.

After posting numerous Top 5 finishes with her at the helm, the Lady Wave captured the 2023 Class 7A cross country title this past November.

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