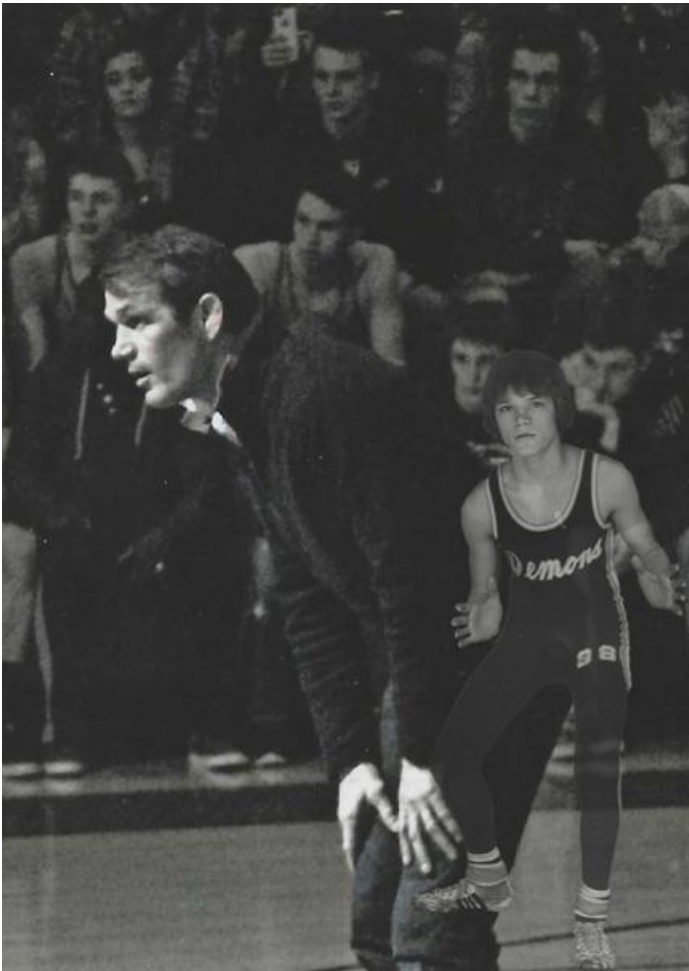




Jeff Schumacher

Class of 1979



Jeff Schumacher grew up in Bismarck and graduated from Bismarck High School in 1979, where he was a standout wrestler, earning an individual state wrestling championship. He continued his education at Bismarck State College, where he achieved All-American honors in wrestling twice. Jeff spent a year training at Hawkeye Wrestling Club in Iowa City, Iowa, before resuming his studies at the University of North Dakota. At UND, he concluded his competitive wrestling career in 1984, securing two additional All-American titles and qualifying for the NCAA Division I Wrestling Championships.

Jeff's coaching career began as an assistant coach at UND before he became the head wrestling coach at Bismarck State College, where he served from 1988 to 1993. During this time, he was named National Coach of the Year by the NJCAA. He then took on head coaching roles at UND for one year and at Minot High School for three years. In 1997, Jeff returned to his alma mater, Bismarck High School, to co-head coach. Over his 27-year tenure at Bismarck High, Jeff compiled a remarkable dual meet record of 428-15-2,

including 17 undefeated seasons. Under Jeff's leadership and guidance, the Demons secured 20 State Individual Team Championships and 20 State Dual Team Championships. His overall record produced 101 State Champions, 9 North Dakota Senior Athletes of the Year, and 26 High School All-Americans. In 2022, Jeff was honored as the NHSACA National Coach of the Year and has been inducted into three Halls of Fame: NDHSCA, BSC, NDHSCA. He currently holds the Class A wrestling coaching record for the most dual wins and the most state team titles.

In 2024, Jeff retired from high school coaching and took on the challenge of reviving Bismarck State College's wrestling program.

Jeff is married to Doreen, and they have three children, Joe, Bobby, and Rachel.