



## *Gary Tanner*

**USA Games Sport:** Coach  
*Power Lifting*

**Hometown:** *Lawrence, Kansas*

**Local Team:** *Douglas County  
Jayhawks*

**Volunteer for Special Olympics:** 25+  
years

**Other Sports:** *Coaches basketball,  
athletics, winter sports, and golf*

## **Favorite Fun Facts**

- ◆ **Color:** *Green & Purple*
- ◆ **Movie:** *Oklahoma*
- ◆ **TV show:** *Cooking shows*
- ◆ **Food:** *Prime Rib*
- ◆ **Music:** *70's Pop*
- ◆ **Sports Team:** *Too many!*
- ◆ **Hobby:** *Hunting, fishing, & gardening*

*“Attending the USA Games means a lot because I love working with the athletes and this is another chance to grow with them!”*

Gary has worked at Haskell Indian Nations University for 33 years. His ideal dream job is to coach motivated athletes in any sport. He loves to cook, and especially grill during the summer.

Special Olympics has not only changed Gary's life, but it has dictated his life and the direction that he goes in. He is proud of coaching his son through Special Olympics and the success that he has had.

**Support Gary**