

Alabama Baseball Coaches Association Hall of Fame



STEVE HELMS **Class of 2015**

*"In Recognition of a Lifetime of Outstanding Achievement in the game of Baseball.
The State of Alabama will forever be in your debt."*

Steve Helms has been the head baseball coach at Lurleen B. Wallace Community College for 23 years, compiling a record of 826-425. During his tenure, the Saints have advanced to the NJCAA Division II World Series twice by winning the Region 22 Championship in 2004 and the Southeast Regional Championship in 2009. The 2004 team went on to finish runner-up at the World Series in Millington, Tennessee. In 17 regional tournament appearances, his teams have been runners-up four times. More than 200 of his players transferred to play baseball at 4 year colleges, and 28 played professional baseball.

Helms has been named the NJCAA Division II National Tournament Coach of the Year, the Alabama Community College Conference Coach of the Year, the Southern Division Coach of the Year, and the Southeast District Coach of the Year during his career.

Helms is a native of Panama City, Florida, and a graduate of Panama City Christian High School. As a left-handed pitcher for Huntingdon College, he lettered all four years. He began his coaching career as an assistant coach at his alma mater prior to accepting the position of Head Baseball Coach at Lurleen B. Wallace Jr. College in the summer of 1990. He has also served as the College's Athletic Director for the last 22 years.

Helms also spent two summers as the head coach of the American Legion Post 80 baseball team in 2002 and 2003. His record for those years was a combined 58-18, including an American Legion Junior State Championship in 2003.

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