

ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME AWARD - Thomas Travis

Thomas Travis was born and raised in Fort Worth, Texas, and graduated from Trinity Valley School. Thomas attended Ole Miss, where he received his B.A. in History and earned an M.S. in Education from the University of Pennsylvania. He did his student-teaching at J.R. Masterman Laboratory and Demonstration School in Philadelphia and began his teaching career in San Antonio, Texas, at Saint Mary's Hall. He joined the staff at Louisville Collegiate School in 1999.

Thomas began coaching while in college, with his first team being an under-12 girls' club team. At Saint Mary's Hall, Thomas served in a variety of coaching roles ranging from assistant boys' varsity volleyball coach to head of a few middle school programs in soccer and volleyball. His primary roles, however, were assistant girls' varsity and head JV soccer coach. As the head JV coach, he amassed a record of 51-8-9. While in San Antonio, Thomas also coached club soccer and in the South Texas Olympic Development Program. Since arriving at Collegiate, he has coached JV and varsity boys and the Middle School gold soccer team. However, his work with the girls' varsity soccer team has garnered the most notoriety. He is not only one of the founders of the Soccer Zons program, but also its current head coach, chief archivist, and beat reporter.



Since the founding of the Amazon Soccer program, 187 girls have played soccer at Collegiate, and 178 have played for Coach Travis. The Soccer Zons have played 313 matches, winning 167 of them, and have scored 968 goals. The program has grown to where a record number of players signed up for the fall of 2020 season as the program celebrates its 20th year. Thomas teaches American History and is the current History Department Chair. He received The Helen Kent Longley Chair for Distinguished Teaching in 2020, Collegiate's top teaching accolade. Thomas lives in Spencer County with his wife, Cecilia, and their array of animals.