

TO BE PROUD OF WHO YOU ARE, NOT WHAT YOU DO

Ten years of coaching football at Treynor High School led Steve Owens to the state championship last season. This feat resulted in requests for him to speak at five coaching clinics during the past year. Steve said he was asked to explain the success of the small school football program at Treynor. This success, Steve explained, starts with a commitment to excellence by coaches, managers, and players on the team. This commitment is a burning desire to perform at maximum potential on every play of every game. The football program success, Steve stated, is a combination of player talent, coaching staff teaching, administrative support, and community spirit. As head coach Steve desires each player to grow as a person from participation in football. He wants them to appreciate and value hard work, teamwork, unity, and the importance of a foundation based on fundamentals. These values along with leadership skills development carry over to future endeavors. Steve noted that successful players need to be leaders and leadership qualities will result in successful life achievements of marriage, family, and career.

Steve explained the upcoming football season will be a challenge with a new schedule of schools for the district, and some of these schools are often in the state championship playoffs. Also there are fewer players out for the Treynor Cardinal team this year. But, by adhering to the commitment to excellence through the season, the team will be successful and team players will profit from their experiences.