

FERRIS STATE HOCKEY

ASSISTANT COACH MARK KAUFMAN/DAVE CENCER & 2008-09 TV SCHEDULE



MARK KAUFMAN
ASSISTANT COACH
3RD SEASON
(Michigan State, 1984)

Mark Kaufman starts his third year with the Bulldogs in the 2008-09 season after being named assistant coach at Ferris State in July 2006.

Kaufman, who was an assistant at Ferris State from 1992-94 under Daniels, is involved in all facets of the program with specific emphasis on coaching the defense-men, recruiting, and player strength and conditioning.

Prior to his second stint at Ferris State, Kaufman spent two seasons (2003-05) as head coach and general manager of the United States Hockey League's (USHL) Sioux Falls (Iowa) Stampede after serving as the director of hockey operations and head coach of the Kalamazoo (Mich.) Wings in 2000.

A native of Pittsburgh, Pa., Kaufman spent 1998-02 with the Richmond (Va.) Renegades of the East Coast Hockey League (ECHL) as the organization's head coach/director of hockey operations. He was chosen as co-coach of the 1999-00 Northern Conference All-Star Team. In the 1998-99 season, Richmond was Kelley Cup

Playoff finalists and playoff champions of the Northern Conference.

Following his two seasons (1992-94) at Ferris State, Kaufman served as an assistant coach for the International Hockey League's (IHL) Kansas City (Mo.) Blades in the 1994-95 campaign. He helped the Blades become a Turner Cup Playoff finalist and win an Eastern Conference Playoff title. The following season (1995-96), Kaufman moved up to the NHL ranks with the San Jose Sharks in an assistant coaching capacity. He then spent two seasons (1996-98) as an assistant with the Kentucky Thoroughblades of the American Hockey League (AHL).

Kaufman arrived at Ferris State in Bob Daniels' first season (1992-93) as head coach and the Bulldogs went on to register a 21-16-4 overall record and competed in the Central Collegiate Hockey Association (CCHA) Championships. He then was promoted as the top assistant on Daniels' staff for the 1993-94 campaign.

Before his arrival to Ferris State, Kaufman served as the general manager and head coach of the USHL's Rochester (Minn.) Mustangs where he compiled a 116-95-7 record and coached the 1989-90 team to its third Junior A national championship. He coordinated all of the scheduling, budgeting, recruiting, game staging, off-ice training, housing, fund raising and public relations for the Rochester franchise.

From 1986-88, Kaufman served as an assistant coach for U.S. International University, a former

NCAA Division I independent located in San Diego, Calif. His responsibilities included monitoring the academic progress of the student-athletes, admissions, housing and the administration of financial aid.

Kaufman was head coach of the Redford (Mich.) Junior B team in 1984-85 and guided the Royals to both league and playoff championship titles. He was also an assistant coach for the USA Hockey Junior Olympic Festival in Lake Placid, N.Y. in 1992.

As a collegian, Kaufman earned a bachelor's degree in urban planning from Michigan State University in 1984. In 1987, Kaufman received his master's degree in physical education at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. He was a graduate assistant coach for the RedHawks during the 1985-86 season.

A 1979 graduate of Central Catholic High School in Pittsburgh, Kaufman competed in ice hockey as a prepster.

The son of Eugene and Jean Kaufman of Pittsburgh, Pa., Mark is married to the former Catherine Peacock and the couple has a 14-year old son (Brett). The family resides in Portage, Mich. Kaufman holds membership in the American Hockey Coaches Association (AHCA).



DAVE CENCER
DIRECTOR OF HOCKEY
OPERATIONS/VIDEO
COORDINATOR/
STRENGTH &
CONDITIONING
SPECIALIST
4TH SEASON
(Franciscan, 2003)

Dave Cencer will begin his fourth year at Ferris State in the 2008-09 season.

Cencer, who presently serves dual roles as the Bulldogs' director of hockey operations and is the team's video coordinator, is also the ice hockey program's strength and conditioning coach. As such he coordinates all in-season and off-season training for the Bulldogs, creating individual, hockey-specific programs for each of the Ferris State players.

Cencer, a Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist (CSCS) through the National Strength and Conditioning Association, is currently completing a master's degree in Sports Fitness and will graduate in May, 2009. Work from his master's program studies has received national recognition, being published in a pair of sport science journals. He directs his focus with the Bulldogs on nutrition, position-specific training, speed/power mechanics and injury prevention.

A native of Big Rapids, Mich., Cencer is also responsible for all video breakdown using a state-of-the-art digital video computer-editing system which includes live breakdown during all games. Along with coordinating the Bulldogs' off-ice strength and conditioning programs, Cencer is involved in game preparation, scouting, and assisting with administrative duties.

Cencer is certainly no stranger to the Ferris State Hockey program having spent two seasons (2003-04 and 2004-05) doing video work for the Bulldogs on a voluntary basis. He has served as an instructor and co-director at the Ferris State

Hockey Skills Center since 2005, worked as a coach at the 2008 Michigan Amateur Hockey Association bantam state festival and assisted in strength and conditioning testing at the 2008 Philadelphia Flyers (National Hockey League) Player Development Camp.

Cencer received a degree in Communications Arts from Franciscan University (Ohio) in 2003 and also was an undergraduate at Northern Michigan University from 1999-01. Cencer, a member of the American Hockey Coaches Association and the National Strength and Conditioning Association, resides in Big Rapids with his wife, Anna.

An avid runner and triathlete, he enjoyed top age-group finishes in the 2007 Grand Island (Mich.) Trail Marathon and the 2008 Maple City (Ohio) Triathlon.

FERRIS STATE HOCKEY'S 2008-09 TELEVISION SCHEDULE

The Ferris State hockey program continues to receive exposure as the Bulldogs are scheduled to appear several times on television during the 2008-09 regular season.

Ferris will be making appearances on FSN Detroit, CBS College Sports, and Comcast Television this season. FSN Detroit will continue to televise both the league tournament's semifinal-round games and the Mason Cup championship contest from Detroit's Joe Louis Arena. FSN Detroit's coverage of the CCHA also includes the return of "CCHA All-Access," a 30-minute

weekly show which debuted in January 2007 and provides in-depth coverage of the CCHA. Ferris Television will showcase selected Bulldog home outings on a tape-delay basis.

The 2008-09 TV schedule is as follows:
Oct. 31 – Lake Superior State (Ferris Television)
Nov. 21 – Alaska (Ferris Television)
Dec. 5 – Notre Dame (Ferris Television)
Feb. 6 – @Michigan State (FSN Detroit)
Feb. 14 – @Bowling Green (Comcast Television)
Feb. 21 – @Alaska (Comcast Television)
Feb. 28 – @Michigan (CBS College Sports)

NOTE – TV Times are Eastern Standard and subject to change.

