



**Stephen Brauer                      Head Coach**

Stephen (Stef-an) Brauer begins his twelfth season as head coach of the Mustangs in 2016-2017. During his nine-year tenure, he has guided the Mustangs to an impressive dual meet record of 61-27 (.69 winning percentage), three Suburban East Conference (SEC) regular season titles, four Section titles, and six “top ten” finishes at State. His teams won SEC championships in 2007, 2010 and 2011 and Section championships in 2006, 2007, 2011 and 2012. His teams finished third at State in 2006, second in 2007, eighth in 2010, fifth in 2011, seventh in 2012, and eighth in 2013. He has coached seven State Champions (Roman Becicka, Dan Cremons, Noah Lucas, Jim Rafter, Anton Safanov, Pete Stacy and Calvin Wessels) and three other swimmers who attained All-American status (Cody Erickson, Christian Nygaard and Sam Olson-Anstett). Brauer’s teams have also enjoyed success in True Team competition, winning Section titles in 2006, 2007 and 2012, and finishing in the “top ten” at True Team State on all three occasions. Both his 2006-07 and 2010-11 teams were undefeated in dual meet competition.

Brauer joined the Mustangs staff as an Assistant Coach in 1999-2000. He was promoted to Co-Head Coach with Jesse Moen for the 2005-06 season and assumed full head coaching duties the following year. A true student of the sport, Brauer is particularly adept at knowing his competition and creating favorable match-ups to maximize his team’s point potential in meets. He has also mastered the art of “tapering” his team to have them at peak performance when post-season competition begins.

Brauer is highly respected by his swimmers who know him as a demanding, yet fair, coach. He takes great pride in helping young men achieve their potential in and out of the pool and learning the relationship between work and reward. He has fostered a positive team “culture” where athletes of all abilities have a great athletic experience and create life-long friendships. Some of his former swimmers are still competing successfully at the collegiate level.

Brauer just completed his third season as head coach of the Lady Mustangs where he guided them to a 6-2 dual meet record and third place finish in the SEC and a second place finish in Section 4AA.

Brauer is a native of Blaine and attended Blaine High School where he swam for 3 years. Among his many high school swimming honors were Most Valuable, Most Dedicated, All-Conference, and Section Champion in the 100-yard freestyle. He attended the University of Minnesota from 1993-1998 where he majored in Computer/Electrical Engineering and was a distance freestyler for the Golden Gophers.

Brauer owns a painting contracting company in the Twin Cities. He is married to the former Amanda Emil, a former Spring Lake Park HS and St. Cloud State University swimmer and tri-athlete. They live in Brooklyn Park with their sons Cooper and Logan.

**The Brauer Record**

<b>Year</b>	<b>SEC</b>	<b>Section</b>	<b>State</b>
2015 - 2016	4-4	3rd	DNP
2014 - 2015	0-8	4th	DNP
2013 - 2014	5-4	3rd	27th
2012 - 2013	7-2	2nd	8th
2011 - 2012	7-2	1st	7th
2010 - 2011	8-0 (Champs)	1st	5th
2009 - 2010	7-1 (Co-Champs)	2nd	8th
2008 - 2009	6-1	3rd	29th
2007 - 2008	3-4	3rd	14th
2006 - 2007	7-0 (Champs)	1st	2nd
2005 - 2006	7-1	1st	3rd