

## Coach Jose Torres Bio - 2023

My name is Jose Torres = Coach JT I am a Native from Ponce, Puerto Rico. I received my Bachelor of Science in Management Information Systems from the University of Tampa and studied Mechanical Engineering for 4 1/2 years at the RUM - Recinto Universitario de Mayagüez Puerto Rico. I have coached and played the sport of volleyball extensively including vast experiences at the club, high school, college and international levels. I played for The Belgium SHAPE Team, The USA ALL ARMY, as an outside hitter, and middle blocker. Club at The University of Tampa Florida, AA / Open Club level both in Argentina and Augusta GA. My passion is to develop athletes to achieve their highest potential. I dedicate most of my time helping 60 plus athletes per month. I have coached club volleyball in Belgium (2 years), in Georgia for several clubs for 9 years, last 2 years at the Best Volleyball Club in the USA - A5 Volleyball Club, and was recognized as THE 2022 COACH OF THE YEAR on my 3rd year as The Head Women's Volleyball Coach at Toccoa Falls College a D2 program where we achieved 2nd place at Regionals and 5th place at Nationals on my first season and placed 5th in the Nation in 2022, I trained & developed an ALL AMERICAN athlete and 4 ALL REGION freshman players I recruited in 2022. My passion for my athletes, institutional pride and the development of our young generation is the fundamental reason why I am fully engaged with the sport of Volleyball and the primarily reason why I am EXCITED about the opportunity of coaching and being part of the A5 family.

Currently I coach two National Teams for our A5 Club, 16's & 13's. During our 2022-2023 season our 13's won 6 tournaments - 4 Gold and 2 Silvers & placed 2nd in Gold on another tournament. Finished with the 4th Best Record at Regionals with a 5-1 record. Our 16's Won Gold as well in one tournament, 2nd in Gold and 2 Silver Championships in the season. They also placed 5th at Lil Big South.

Building strong character young ladies, and strong competitive championship's programs is my forte.

I am the proud father of five girls, Cristina, Camille, Isabella, Leyanna and Anaya, and three sons Sebastian, Santiago and Evan. I also have a lifelong amazing relationship with my Love Nicole and her two amazing kids Addison & Michael.