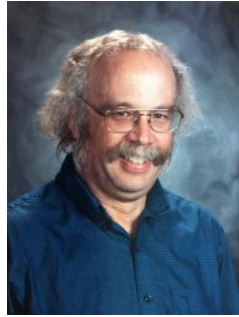


Who is Jim Fernald?

November 27, 1956 to June 13, 2020



Jim Fernald was a teacher and a strong advocate for swimming in Colorado. Many swimmers have known him and have benefited from his dedication to the sport. He was a well-loved official.

He taught math in the Aurora Public School, mostly at Rangeview High School from 1982 - 2004. He finished his teaching career at his alma mater, Lakewood High School, teaching math and TOK from 2004 - 2014. After retirement, he still substituted at Lakewood High and attended many school events. His favorite job was helping to plan graduation activities.

Aquatics was a very important part of Jim's life. He became an American Red Cross Water Safety Instructor (WSI) in 1974. He mainly worked for City of Lakewood aquatics from 1975 until his death. He was very proud when he became a Water Safety Instructor Trainer in 2006. He was a member of the Colorado Association of Swimming Officials (CASO) from 1982 until his death, He served as district president for many years. Many swimmers and divers remember him as one of their favorite officials. He was also the head official and league meet referee for the Foothills Swimming Association (FSA) for many years.

Jim had a strong impact on swimming in Colorado. The CSSCSA State Championship meet has been dedicated to Jim Fernald. Jim spent many hours working with teams, coaches, swimmers and schools promoting the sport of swimming. He headed up the rules committee to maintain consistent rules and sportsmanship. The wealth of knowledge he had for the sport helped guide so many athletes and coaches. He worked with summer club teams along with high school boys and girls swim teams. His dedication to the sport of swimming spanned for almost 50 years.

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