

# **Kansas Shrine Bowl**

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#### Kansas Shrine Bowl Announces 2020 Head Coaches

Buhler and Beason selected to lead Shrine Bowl squads

As the 2019 Kansas high school football season approaches, The Kansas Shrine Bowl Board of Directors is excited to announce the selection of our 2020 Head Coaches. Goddard's Tommy Beason and Washburn Rural's Steve Buhler will serve as the Head Coaches for the 2020 Kansas Shrine Bowl, to be held Saturday, July 18<sup>th</sup> in Yager Stadium at Moore Bowl on the campus of Washburn University in Topeka. Beason will lead the West and Buhler the East. The head coaches are selected by a vote of the previous games staff, including fellow coaches, camp directors, trainers and managers.

For the second time in just three years, the Goddard Lions will have a head coach leading the West squad. Tommy Beason will follow in the footsteps of his predecessor in Goddard, Scott Vang, who led the West in 2018. Coach Beason led the Lions to a 4A Runner-Up finish with a 10-3 record in his first season at the helm in 2018. Coach Beason earned his B.S. in Biology Education from Sterling College and completed his Masters in School Leadership from Baker University. Tom and his wife Colleen have three children, Derek, Owen and Reese. "I am honored to be a part of the Shrine organization and do a small part to help," said Beason, "I'm excited for the opportunity."

For the second straight year, the East squad will be represented by a head coach from the Capital City. Washburn Rural's Steve Buhler is no stranger to the Kansas Shrine Bowl, as this will be sixth time coaching in the game and his

second as head coach. Buhler led the East squad in 2008 while he was at Rossville. Coach Buhler led the Junior Blues to a 7-3 record in 2018. Buhler is 30-27 at Washburn Rural and 150-81 overall. Coach Buhler joins Silverlake's C.J. Hamilton, Pittsburg's Larry Garman and Hayden's Tom Stringer, who each served as the East Head Coach two times. Coach Buhler earned his bachelor's in Communications from Benedictine, his Master's in Communications from Fort Hays State University and his Education Certificate from Newman University. Steve and his wife Shelly have three children, Matt, Mitch, and Maura.

"It's a great honor to serve as a head coach in the Kansas Shrine Bowl," said Kansas Shrine Bowl Executive Director, B.J. Harris. "The fact that it is decided on by a vote of their peers, is certainly a special thing for our coaches." "Our 2019 coaching staffs were filled with quality coaches, any of them would be of been great for our game." "Coach Buhler and Coach Beason each bring tremendous experience and energy and they definitely understand the meaning behind our game," added Harris, "I'm looking forward to working with them this year."

The Kansas Shrine Bowl is an all-star high school senior, East vs. West, football game put on each year in Kansas, by the Kansas Shrine. It is a 501(c) 3 non-profit charity that produces annual events and related activities, with net proceeds benefiting Shriners Hospitals for Children. The game has been played throughout Kansas each summer at host cities across Kansas and will return to Topeka on July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

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Beginning in 1974, the flagship event has been the East/West All-Star Football Game. As of 2019, the West leads the series with 28 wins, the EAST has 17 wins, and there has been one tie. Notable alumni include current former All-Pro Wide Receiver Jordy Nelson, NFL Hall of Famer Barry Sanders, former Kansas State and Kansas City Chiefs Linebacker Gary Spani, former Big 12 Defensive Player of the Year and Super Bowl Champion Linebacker Mark Simoneau and many others.

The Kansas Shrine Bowl also includes the Kansas Masonic All-State Marching band camp, held annually at each host site. The week also includes the Kansas Shrine Bowl Cheer Camp, which culminates with performances at each game.

Other bowl weekend activities include, the Kansas Shrine Bowl Appreciation Banquet, the state's largest Shrine Parade, Shriner's Hospitals for Children Free Screening Clinic, Strong Legs Run 5k and Walk, Junior All-Star Challenge, High School Football Combine/Clinic and 4-Man Golf Scramble.

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#### **Previous Kansas Shrine Bowl Host Cities/Schools**

Date	Where	School	
1974	Lawrence	Univ of Kansas	
1975	Manhattan	Kansas State	
1976	Wichita	Wichita State	
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1986	Lawrence	Univ of Kansas	
1987	Manhattan	Kansas State	
1988	Topeka	Washburn	
1989	Wichita	Wichita State	
1990	Lawrence	Haskell Univ	
1991	Manhattan	Kansas State	
1992	Topeka	Washburn	
1993	Wichita	Wichita State	
1994	Lawrence	Haskell Univ	
1995	Manhattan	Kansas State	
1996	Topeka	Washburn	
1997	Hays	Ft Hayes State	
1998	Emporia	Emporia State	
1999	Wichita	Wichita State	
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2000	Topeka	Washburn
2001	Manhattan	Kansas State
2002	Pittsburg	Pittsburg State
2003	Wichita	Wichita State
2004	Emporia	Emporia State
2005	Manhattan	Kansas State
2006	Pittsburg	Pittsburg State
2007	Hays	Ft Hayes State
2008	Emporia	Emporia State
2009	Wichita	Wichita State
2010	Pittsburg	Pittsburg State
2011	Hays	Ft Hayes State
2012	Emporia	Emporia State
2013	Topeka	Washburn
2014	Pittsburg	Pittsburg State
2015	Hays	Ft Hayes State
2016	Emporia	Emporia State
2017	El Dorado	Butler
2018	Pittsburg	Pittsburg State
2019	Dodge City	Dodge City High

### Past Kansas Shrine Bowl Head Coaches

#### **EAST**

Year	First	Last	School
1974	John	Davis	SM South
1975	Kent	Rogers	Nemaha Valley
1976	J.W.	Emerson	Manhattan
1977	Ray	Harvey	Parsons
1978	Glenn	Percy	SM East
1979	Len	Mohlman	Bishop Miege
1980	Paul	Dennis	Abilene
1981	Ron	Hill	Arkansas City
1982	Lew	Lane	Manhattan
1983	Gene	John	Fredonia
1984	Larry	Garman	Pittsburg
1985	Tom	Michael	St. Marys
1986	C.J.	Hamilton	Silver Lake
1987	Ron	Bowen	Washburn Rural
1988	John	Garber	Sabetha
1989	Randy	Westfahl	Schlagle
1990	Bernie	Bierman	Baldwin
1991	Kent	Brown	Coffeyville
1992	Rick	Clark	Spring Hill
1993	Mark	Luedtke	Rossville
1994	Dale	Burkholder	Shawnee Heights
1995	Jeff	Meyers	Olathe East
1996	Larry	Garman	Pittsburg
1997	Don	Simmons	Independence
1998	Chuck	Smith	St. Mary's - Colgan
1999	Tom	Stringer	Hayden
2000	Brooks	Barta	Holton
2001	Craig	Crespino	Girard
2002	Leon	Miller	Frontenac
2003	Bill	Lowe	Topeka-Seaman
2004	C.J.	Hamilton	Silver Lake
2005	Tom	Stringer	Hayden
2006	Bob	Lisher	Lawrence Free State
2008	Matt	Garber	Sabetha
2009	Rod	Stallbaumer	Lyndon
2010	Bill	Arnold	Hayden
2011	Larry	Glatczak	Centralia High
2012	Steve	Buhler	Rossville
2013	Jason	Swift	Shawnee Heights
2014	Joel	Applebee	Mill Valley

2015	Harry	Hester	Cherryvale
2016	Blake	Pierce	Topeka -Seaman
2017	Derick	Hammes	Rossville
2018	Warren	Seitz	Nemaha Central
2019	Walt	Alexander	Topeka
2020	Steve	Buhler	Washburn Rural

#### **WEST**

Year	First	Last	School
1974	Max	Hiebert	Ulysses
1975	Jim	Davie	Wichita Southeast
1976	Phil	Hower	Scott City
1977	Tom	McVay	Derby
1978	Mac	O'Dell	Wellington
1979	Chuck	Porter	Bishop Carroll
1980	Dennis	Cavalier	Wichita Southeast
1981	John	Kendall	Liberal
1982	Steve	Miller	Hutchinson
1983	Ed	Kriwiel	Kapaun-Mt. Carmel
1984	Steve	Miller	Hutchinson
1985	Larry	Wiemers	Clay Center
1986	Mark	Templin	Wichita Southeast
1987	Alan	Haskell	Liberal
1988	Roger	Barta	Smith Center
1989	Paul	Dennis	Abilene
1990	Tom	Young	Derby
1991	Jim	Paramore	Hesston
1992	Dave	Meadows	Garden City
1993	Gary	Cornelsen	Liberal
1994	Bob	Fuller	Wellington
1995	Larry	Mills	Hays
1996	Randall	Zimmerman	Junction City
1997	Monty	Bechard	Belleville
1998	James	Mireles	Ulysses
1999	Dan	Johnson	Wichita Southeast
2000	Tom	Audley	Andover
2001	Dustin	McEwen	Hillsboro
2002	Linn	Hibbs	Wellington
2003	Weston	Schartz	Wichita West
2004	Gene	Flax	Thomas More Prep
2005	Danny	Adelhardt	Hesston
2006	Marvin	Diener	Salina Central
2007	Jason	Kenny	Ulysses

2008	Gary	Guzman	Wichita Southeast
2009	Во	Black	Great Bend
2010	Randall	Zimmerman	Junction City
2011	Rick	Wheeler	Wichita Heights
2012	Brian	Hill	Garden City
2013	Ryan	Cornelsen	Hays
2014	Steve	Martin	Wichita Northwest
2015	Scott	Moshier	Meade
2016	Randall	Zimmerman	Junction City
2017	Marc	Marinelli	Mulvane
2018	Scott	Vang	Goddard
2019	Tyson	Bauerle	Hesston
2020	Tommy	Beason	Goddard