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PITT'S JAMIE DIXON HONORED AS THE SPORTING NEWS NATIONAL COACH OF THE YEAR

PITTSBURGH—University of Pittsburgh Basketball Coach Jamie Dixon was named the 2010-11 National Coach of the Year on Tuesday morning by *The Sporting News* magazine. The honor marked the third consecutive season that Dixon has garnered a National Coach of the Year award.

A four-time national coach of the year honoree, Dixon guided his 2010-11 Pitt team to an outright Big East regular season championship with a school-best 15-3 league record, a 28-6 overall record and the program's second No. 1 seed in the NCAA Championship. Dixon also set the alltime NCAA Division I record for most wins after eight seasons as a head coach.

In his eight-year career as Pitt's head coach, Dixon has:

- Amassed a 216-60 career record and .783 winning percentage.
- Guided Pitt to three Big East championships (2003-04 regular season, 2007-08 tournament and 2010-11 regular season).
- Led Pitt to two 30-win seasons (31 in both 2003-04 and 2008-09) and eight consecutive 20-win overall and 10-win Big East seasons.
- Directed the Panthers to one NCAA Elite Eight (2009) and three NCAA Sweet Sixteen appearances (2004, 2007 and 2009) and is the only coach in school history to guide Pitt to eight straight NCAA Tournament berths in 2011.
- Amassed a 98-38 Big East regular season record and 133-12 home record.
- Propelled Pitt to its first-ever No. 1 national ranking and two No. 1 seeds upon entering the NCAA Tournament (2009 and 2011).

Additionally, Dixon concluded the 2010-11 season as the winningest coach in Big East history with a current .708 winning percentage in league games (109-45). Following Dixon on that list are legendary names such as Georgetown's John Thompson (.653), Syracuse's Jim Boeheim (.643), Connecticut's Jim Calhoun (.641) and St. John's Lou Carnesseca (.635). His .783 overall winning percentage also rates third among active winningest coaches at the NCAA Division I level.

With a 66-50 win at USF on March 2, 2011, Dixon set the NCAA Division I all-time record for most coaching wins after eight seasons (see chart below). He also tied another NCAA Division I record for quickest to 200 wins in only eight seasons, matching the record held by Gonzaga's Mark Few and Kansas' Roy Williams.

Dixon also ranks among the all-time top-15 coaches in fastest to 200 victories by total games. He also became the fastest coach in school history to reach the 200-win plateau and is only the second coach to surpass that mark in school history. The only other coach in school history to win over 200 games is H.C. "Doc" Carlson, who recorded a 367-247 record over 31 years from 1922-53.

Dixon is the second coach in program history to earn *The Sporting News* National Coach of the Year honors. Ben Howland received the award following the 2001-02 season.

JAMIE DIXON'S FOUR NATIONAL COACH OF THE YEAR HONORS

2011 The Sporting News National Coach of the Year

2010 Jim Phelan National Coach of the Year 2010 USA Basketball National Coach of the Year 2009 Naismith National Coach of the Year

ALL-TIME NCAA DIVISION I BEST COACHING STARTS AFTER EIGHT SEASONS (by wins)

Here is where he stands in NCAA records (page 158 of NCAA recordbook):

Coach, Team	Seasons	W-L	Pct.
JAMIE DIXON, PITT	2003-11	216-60	.783
Everett Case, North Carolina State	1947-54	213-52	.804
Roy Williams, Kansas	1989-96	213-56	.792
Mark Few, Gonzaga	2000-07	211-52	.802
Bruce Weber, SIU/Illinois	1999-2006	192-70	.733
Jerry Tarkanian, LBSU/UNLV	1969-76	189-30	.863
John Calipari, Massachusetts	1989-96	189-70	.730
Tom Izzo, Michigan State	1996-2003	189-78	.708
Tubby Smith, Tulsa/Georgia/Kentucky	1992-99	187-75	.714
Denny Crum, Louisville	1972-79	186-52	.782
Bruce Stewart, WV Wesleyan/MTSU	1983-90	184-75	.710
Fred Schaus, West Virginia/Purdue	1955-60, 73-74	182-55	.768
Jim Boeheim, Syracuse	1977-84	182-62	.745

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