

Mike Marszalec

Head Coach / Stateline Fury Program Director

Mike's affiliation with the Fury program began as pitching/catching coach for the original Fury team in 2006. His daughter played on that team and by the time that group finished their 18U season, they had fashioned a 517-278 record including 31 first-place finishes, a USSSA National Championship runner-up, and an Illinois State Championship.

Helping coach his daughter's teams ignited Mike's passion for the sport. When she aged out of the program, Mike returned as a non-parent head coach of the Stateline Fury '05 Premier team. The '05 Premier team played a national schedule, competing against some of the best teams in the country. They compiled a 579-206-24 record, including two National Championships, a PGF Regional Championship runner-up, three Illinois State Championships, a state runner-up finish, 34 first-place finishes, and eighteen runner-ups. In 2017, his 11U Fury team finished with a USSSA ranking of No. 6 nationally, the 12U team No. 51 in ASA rankings, and the 13U team a No. 8 USSSA and 22 ASA national rankings. His 14U team ended the season with a runner-up finish at the PGF Midwest Championships. The 16U - 18U teams played in the top showcases in the Midwest, and earned a bid to the 2023 PGF National Championships in Huntington Beach, CA.

In 2023/24, Mike returned to take his third 10U team. The 10U - Red team is currently 50-21-5 with three championships, two runner-ups, and three third place finishes.

Mike challenges his players and can communicate using a positive yet firm style, which holds them accountable in a manner they embrace. Mike has a proven record of developing both high school and collegiate players, as seventeen of his players went on to play college softball.

Mike also coached at Hononegah High School for three seasons, where his teams went 75-19, winning two Nic-10 titles.

A graduate of Michigan State University with a Mechanical Engineering degree, Mike is well known for his ability to teach fundamentals and the mechanics of the game. The owner/operator of Stateline Fastpitch Academy, he works year-round helping to develop some of the best pitchers, catchers, and hitters in the area.