

JOSE "PEPE" VILLASENOR



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Pepe Villasenor III is a 1997 graduate of St. Bonaventure High School. He was a three-year Varsity starter on the Football team and a four-year letter winner in Basketball, where he played under current Principal Marc Groff. As a junior, Pepe was awarded first team all-league for both Football and Basketball, as well as being co-MVP in Basketball with 2008 Hall of Fame Inductee Sam Benner. He was also an All Ventura County selection as a Wide Receiver leading the county in receptions and yards. In his senior year, Pepe was nominated by his peers as a captain in both Football and Basketball. He led the Basketball team in almost all categories, being named first team all-league and Most Valuable Player of the 1997-98 team. In Football, Pepe broke every single game, season and career receiving record in school history. Most noted was a California State record of 111 receptions in a season. He helped lead the team to the 1996 CIF-SS Championship, the first of the Jon Mack era. His senior year concluded with such awards as 1st team All-TVL, 1st team All-Ventura County, All Ventura County Star Team, All Los Angeles Times Team, 1st team All CIF-SS and 1st team All-State. Additional Awards included the Peter Aguirre Award which is given for Inspiration. He played along greats such as Todd Therrien, current Head Football Coach, 2010 Hall of Famer Teohua Sanchez, and David Bernal, arguably the most dominant defensive player in school history. Pepe concluded his St. Bonaventure career maintaining a 4.0 GPA.

From 1997-2001, Pepe continued his athletic and academic career at Ohio Wesleyan University where he earned many academic honors. He started for the Battling Bishops all four years breaking several school records as a receiver and returner. He was a two time All-Conference player at OWU and graduated with honors, Cum Laude, majoring in Economic Management and Psychology.

In 2003, Pepe returned to St Bonaventure High School where he taught Honors Spanish, coached Girls Varsity Basketball and Varsity Football. During that time, he helped Shelby Babcock break several Girls career Basketball records (including all time leading scorer) and helped produce three Army All-American in Football. He also helped the Seraph Football team win 5 league titles, 4 CIF-SS Championships and 2 State titles in five years as coach.

In 2007, Pepe moved to Madrid Spain where he worked in International Finance and taught at a private University for 3 years. Within his time in Spain, he had the opportunity to travel throughout Europe and played a year of Semi-Professional Basketball. In 2010, he moved back to the states to teach and coach at Crespi High School in Encino, California under his former head coach, Jon Mack. He is currently the Head Golf Coach and Offensive Coordinator on the Varsity Football team, producing one of the most productive offenses in Southern California.

Pepe is being presented tonight by his former coach and Hall of Fame member, Jon Mack.