



## Sam Dollar

Varsity Defensive Coordinator  
Varsity Linebackers Coach

Coach Dollar is the architect behind the defensive scheme and philosophy which made an immediate and constant impact on the football landscape of Southwest Florida. The season before Coach Dollar's arrival in Naples, the Golden Eagles defense allowed 310 points. In 2004, the "Dollar Defense" set a new school record of only 56 points allowed; a record which was broken again in 2007 with only 52 points given up under Coach Dollar's guidance. The confidence he has instilled in his players has given the Naples High defense 51 All-District, 28 All-State and 7 All-American defensive players. The Naples "Dollar Defense" has also earned the Southwest Florida Defensive Player of the Year honors 9 times. Naples High School all-time defensive team records under Coach Dollar also include 7 shutouts in one season, 24 interceptions in one season, and a record low of holding opponents to 2.1 rushing yards per carry in one season. Naples defense also holds the state record for least amount of rushing yards in a Florida Football State Championship game with a low of -11 yards allowed rushing. In 2016 Coach Dollar coached the defensive line for the US Army All-American Bowl in San Antonio, Texas. Coach Dollar has also coached at Miami Central High School and Missouri State University. He has a Master's Degree in Education Curriculum and Instruction. He teaches physical education at Naples High School, where he was the 2008-2009 Athletic Coach of the Year. This year the Dollar Family has two Naples High Golden Eagles on the gridiron—Slade, 16, in the 10<sup>th</sup> grade and Andre, 14, starting his freshman year. Caden, 7, is in first grade and Landry, 5, is starting Kindergarten. The big surprise is a new eagle is being added to the mix this coming season. Baby Dollar is due to arrive in late November. The driving force behind Coach Dollar for the pursuit of continued success is his best friend and wife Stephanie. He is grateful for Stephanie making it a family priority to be a part of these young men's lives with the hope of making a positive lifelong impression.