In seven years, Tad Boyle has accomplished only what a select few have done before him in the annals of the University of Colorado men’s basketball program. And yet, Boyle continues to rewrite and lead the Buffaloes to greater heights not seen in a half of century.

Boyle, 54, is in his eighth year with the Buffaloes and his 149 victories rank third all-time in program history.

He is is 149-95 as Colorado’s head coach; his .611 winning percentage ranking second in school history with a minimum of four years on the bench; just behind CU Athletic Hall of Fame coach Forrest B. “Frosty” Cox who won 62.3 percent of his games between 1936-50.

Entering his 12th overall season as a collegiate head coach, Boyle has won 56 percent of his games with a record of 205-161, picking up his 200th career coaching win against Washington on Feb. 9, 2017.

He owns five of Colorado’s nine all-time seasons of 20-plus wins. Boyle is the first CU coach to lead the Buffaloes to seven consecutive postseason appearances and the first to guide the program to three consecutive NCAA Tournaments. His record at the Coors Events Center is stellar, leading the Buffaloes to a 101-19 mark at home (.842) over the last seven seasons. He is the first CU coach to win 20 games in each of his first four years.

“Tad continues to make Colorado more than relevant,” former ESPN.com Senior College Basketball Writer Andy Katz said. “He has made them into one of the top teams in the West. Now you can count on Colorado being in play for the top tier in the Pac-12 and an NCAA bid. Colorado may have joined the Pac-12 for football first but Boyle is the first to guide the program to three consecutive 20-plus wins. Boyle is the first CU coach to lead the Buffaloes to seven consecutive postseason appearances and the first to guide the program to three consecutive NCAA Tournaments. His record at the Coors Events Center is stellar, leading the Buffaloes to a 101-19 mark at home (.842) over the last seven seasons. He is the first CU coach to win 20 games in each of his first four years.”

Boyle has led Colorado to 15 wins over ranked opponents, by far the best in team history. In fact Boyle coached teams, with a record of 15-29, have accounted for 25 percent of the program’s wins over ranked opponents (59) since 1949-50.

Boyle’s postseason success is highlighted by a memorable run of four wins in four days to claim the 2012 Pac-12 Tournament championship. He owns more than half of Colorado’s all-time conference tournament wins, with a 12-6 mark in that span (10-5 in the Pac-12, 2-1 in the Big 12). Boyle has led the Buffaloes to a conference semifinal or better three times. He is a perfect 7-0 as Colorado’s head coach in the first round of a conference tournament. Overall Boyle’s 17 postseason wins and .567 winning percentage (17-13) are tops in Colorado history.

Off the court, he has graduated every CU senior student-athlete on his roster (25).

The 18th head coach in school history, Boyle has also represented the Buffaloes on a national, and world, stage. This last summer, Boyle was an assistant coach for USA Basketball’s Men’s U19 World Cup Team that earned a bronze medal in Cairo, Egypt. He also earned bronze as an assistant for USA Basketball’s 2015 Pan American squad in Toronto. Boyle was one three court coaches for the 2013 USA Basketball Men’s World University Games training camp at the U.S. Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs.

Boyle is also an active ambassador in the community throughout the Centennial State. He is a three-time participant in the National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC) Infiniti Coaches’ Charity Challenge where coaches across the country compete against each other to raise money for their charities. In 2016, he helped Special Olympics Colorado earn $7,500 through the program.

In September 2012, Boyle was invited to Washington, D.C. with other college basketball coaches to urge Congress to protect federal funding for cancer research and prevention programs on Capitol Hill. In September 2011, Boyle joined 20 other coaches from the Front Range for a two-day coaching seminar with former Denver Nuggets head coach George Karl, the 2012-13 NBA Coach of the Year.

Boyle and his teams have also participated in a multitude of events. The Buffaloes participated in the 2015 Special Olympics Unified Relay Across America in Boulder. He was the official starter of the 34th Annual Bolder Boulder (May 2012), the largest road race in the United States where all participants are timed and the fifth largest road race in the world.

In December 2012, the men's basketball team visited the Children's Hospital at the Anschutz Medical Campus in Aurora. In December 2011, the team volunteered with the non-profit Share-A-Gift program, an organization helping families of need acquire children’s toys for the holidays. Both programs are part of the CU Athletics Leadership Development Program. The program is designed to develop a culture of leadership in which CU student-athletes act with personal responsibility, integrity and accountability while staying committed in both principle and actions to the greater good.

“This is it (my dream job), there's no doubt,” Boyle said after being named head coach on April 19, 2010. “I remember talking with (Maryland men’s head coach) Mark Turgeon once when he asked me where I wanted to be in 10 years, and I said, the head coach at the University of Colorado. This is a destination job. I’m humbled and honored.”
In his first season (2010-11), Boyle began to set the standard for exciting things to come, capping the season with a trip to the World’s Most Famous Arena - Madison Square Garden and a National Invitation Tournament semifinal appearance. The Buffaloes won a school-record 24 games, including 18 school-best wins at the Coors Events Center, establishing one of the best home court advantages in all of college basketball.

“They’re the heartbeat of this arena, they are the difference makers,” Boyle said of the Coors Events Center crowd after a home victory. “To have that (student) section full is key; I just want them to know that we appreciate and need them.”

His initial season saw CU rank fifth nationally in free throw percentage (77.8), 12th in scoring (79.6 ppg) and 19th in field goal percentage (47.3).

Boyle earned National Coach of the Week honors (Hoops Report, Jan. 10-16) after leading the Buffs to a 3-0 conference start, including wins over No. 9/8 Missouri and No. 21/20 Kansas State. The win over the Wildcats gave CU its first road win over a nationally ranked opponent since January 1997 (No. 20 Texas Tech). CU defeated four ranked teams, including a 22-point comeback win (second greatest comeback in school history) upsetting No. 5/5 Texas, 91-89.

In year two (2011-12), Boyle became the first CU coach to begin the conference season with back-to-back 3-0 starts, and was the first coach since Frosty Cox (1935-36, 1936-37) to win his conference opener in back-to-back years. He also won his 40th game (home win vs. Oregon) in just 61 games tying Cox (1935-39).

Boyle continued to make most of his “dream job” a reality for CU fans guiding the Buffaloes to a 21-12 season, tying school records for wins in a season (23) and games won at home (18) and earning his first NCAA Tournament invitation.

For his efforts, Boyle became the first CU head coach to earn the District 20 Coach of the Year by the National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC), an award voted among his coaching peers. The 48 wins were a school-best in any two-year span of the program.

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In year three (2012-13), Boyle took the Buffs one step further by leading the school to a Pac-12 Tournament Championship, the program’s first since 1970. The win was Boyle’s 149th career win, tying Cox for second most wins all-time in program history. For his efforts, Boyle became the first CU head coach to earn the District 20 Coach of the Year by the National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC), an award voted among his coaching peers.

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**Totals (CU Head Coach)**: 149-95 (.611)
**Totals (Overall)**: 205-161 (.560) 10 20- win seasons, 14 postseason appearances
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In year three (2012-13), Boyle guided the Buffs to another NCAA Tournament appearance, the second year in-a-row, becoming the first CU coach in 50 years to guide the program to back-to-back tournament appearances. CU won 21 games, the third straight season the program eclipsed the 20-win plateau, also a school-first. After the team won their first mid-season tournament since the 2002-03 season, the Charleston Classic, the Buffs reached the nation’s Top-25 polls for the first time since 2005-06 (No. 19 AP/USA Today Coaches’ Poll, Nov. 26); AP No. 23 ranked, Nov. 19).

Attendance records also set a brand new high standard as the men’s basketball team proved to be the best ticket in town setting a number of school records, including seven sellouts; 12 of 15 home games exceeded 10,000 fans or better, in addition to season total (155,684); season average (10,392); conference total (94,371); and conference average (10,486). The attendance surge ranked third nationally among all Division I programs for largest increased average from the previous year.

Success continued for Boyle and his coaching staff in year four (2013-14) as the Buffs won 23 games, the third most victories in school history. Another NCAA Tournament followed for a school record third consecutive season, in addition setting a pair of attendance records (season total: 173,429; non-conference total: 84,133). The staff enjoyed their best start to a season in four years (14-2 record) with a No. 15 nationally ranking, the highest a CU team has seen since 1999.

In 2014-15, a 16-18 record marked the first time in five years the program failed to notch a winning season, however the Buffaloes reached the College Basketball Invitational (CBI) quarterfinals. The Buffs did defeat NCAA Sweet 16 participant UCLA and the National Invitation Tournament Champion Stanford during the season.

Attendance remained steady for the fifth straight year, finishing with third place numbers across the board in all-time marks in season total, season average, and conference total. Conference average was fourth. Overall, Boyle and his CU teams, hold the top five attendance marks in season and conference total, and conference average since 2010-11; and the four of the top five attendance figures in season average.

The Buffaloes rebounded nicely in 2015-16, sporting a record of 22-12 and finishing in fifth place in the Pac-12 at 10-8. Boyle led Colorado to 11 straight wins during the nonconference schedule, the fifth longest in program history and best run since 1961-62. Colorado’s 21 regular season wins tied a school record — joining the 2013-14 and 1996-97 teams — and 22 overall tied for fourth in the school annals. Colorado reached the NCAA Tournament for the fourth time under Boyle.

Boyle’s 2016-17 team marked seven-straight years with a postseason tournament appearance; a school record. The Buffaloes were 19-15 overall and 8-10 in the Pac-12, earning a spot in the NIT. Colorado’s regular season was highlighted by wins over three ranked teams, including No. 13/14 Xavier and No. 10/10 Oregon, teams that would eventually end up in the Elite Eight and Final Four respectively.

Prior to his arrival to Boulder, Boyle resurrected the basketball program at the University of Northern Colorado, where he guided the Bears to a 56-66 record (459) the past four seasons, including a breakout season in 2009-10, when the Bears were 25-8 (.758) and finished second in the Big Sky Conference. For his efforts, he was awarded the NABC Division I All-District Coach of the Year, the Big Sky Coach of the Year by both The Sporting News and CollegeInsider.com, where he was also named a finalist for the National Mid-Major Coach of the Year award.

“This exciting process was all about both the young men we have currently and those in the future who will be joining our program, and is an investment in them and represents the competitive spirit, teamwork, passion and dedication they stand for,” then-CU athletic director Mike Bohn said.

WHAT THEY ARE SAYING …

“Tad has bought back a resurgence to Colorado basketball with his energy and enthusiasm. I am impressed with his knowledge of the game and his ability to communicate to his Buffaloes team.”

— Dick Vitale, ESPN College Basketball Analyst

“Tad has done something few thought possible – turn Colorado into a basketball school. The Buffaloes have as much of an impact in their new conference as any other team transitioning to a new league and that is a credit to Tad and his staff.”

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“I’ve been blessed to work with many hall of fame caliber coaches during my career and I can say without reservation that Tad Boyle is as talented as any coach I’ve been around! Whether you’re talking about X’s-and-O’s, in-game adjustments, or recruiting...he’s the total package. And, best of all...he’s an even better human being.”

— Mark Johnson, Colorado Director of Audio Broadcasting
“Tad Boyle represents everything that is right about college basketball. We look forward to his leadership, poise and competitive drive to unite all of our collective Buff interests to support our team and this enterprise that has so much promise for the long term.”

A Greeley, Colo., native, Boyle was named the 17th coach in UNC history on April 25, 2006. At that point, the Bears were in the midst of a transition to Division I in its first season as a member of the Big Sky Conference. Northern Colorado finished 4-24 in his first season when squad finished last nationally in the final RPI rankings for that season. There were, however, flashes of times to come that season, including close losses to both Colorado (88-86) and Colorado State (75-66).

Over the next two seasons at UNC, he improved the team’s win total from four to 13 and then 14. The Bears defeated Colorado State, 72-59, in his second season and also knocked off San Diego State, 72-59. The Aztecs were ranked among the nation’s top 50 teams in the RPI rankings at that time. In year three, the Bears had improved from one conference win his first season to an even 8-8 mark and earned the school’s first Division I post season trip, to the Sun Belt Conference Tournament.

It all came together for Boyle in his fourth season in Greeley, as the Bears advanced to the post season for the first time in school history, advancing to the quarterfinals of the Collegiansiders.com Tournament while racking up a school record 25 victories. He coached one first-team All-Big Sky member and also the Big Sky Conference Defensive Player of the Year.

Prior to Northern Colorado, he spent six seasons as an assistant coach at Wichita State and was part of another turn around that saw the Shockers improve from 9-19 (.321) his first year there to one of the nation’s top mid-major teams in 2006 when Wichita State went 26-9 and advanced to the Sweet 16 of the NCAA Tournament. The Shockers eventually lost to Final Four Cinderella George Mason in the semifinals, but before they had secured the No. 21 ranking in the final collegiate polls.

Boyle played collegiately for legendary coach Larry Brown at Kansas (1981-85). He was a member of two NCAA Tournament teams (1984, 1985) and was part of the 1984 Big Eight Tournament championship squad. As a senior, Boyle captained the Jayhawks, which featured freshman Danny Manning, who three years later led the Jayhawks to the NCAA Championship.

After earning a bachelor of science degree in business administration from Kansas in 1985, Boyle went on to serve six years as a high school basketball coach at various Colorado programs. He was the sophomore basketball coach at Greeley (Cola.) West for a year and then was an assistant coach at Loveland (Cola.) High School for two years.

From there, he served at Longmont (Cola.) High School for three years before returning to the college ranks.

It was at Kansas that Boyle played alongside Turgeon, whom he also coached with at Oregon under Jerry Green. Boyle’s first collegiate coaching job in 1994 was on Green’s Ducks staff, where he spent three seasons and helped the Ducks to the 1995 NCAA Tournament and the 1997 National Invitational Tournament. In 1997, Boyle followed Green to Tennessee, where he was director of basketball operations when the Vols won 20 games and advanced to the NCAA Tournament.

Boyle reconnected with Turgeon the following year, this time as an assistant coach at Jacksonville State (Ala.), where they helped turn a team that was 8-18 into a 17-11 squad in just one season.

Before heading to play collegiately at Kansas, Boyle was a standout performer at Greeley Central High School, where he led the Wildcats to a state championship as a senior in 1981 and earned Colorado Player of the Year honors as well as being selected to the Converse All-American team. His high school jersey was retired at the conclusion of his senior season.

Boyle is married to the former Ann Schell of Greeley, and they have two sons, Jack and Pete, and a daughter, Claire.
ASSOCIATE HEAD COACH/HEAD RECRUITING COORDINATOR

MIKE ROHN

Mike Rohn is in his eighth year as a coach and head recruiting coordinator with the University of Colorado men's basketball program. He was elevated from assistant to associate head coach on Oct. 18, 2017.

Rohn is an integral part of the coaching staff that has re-energized the basketball program to national prominence and continues to do so each and every year.

“One of the steadiest people I have ever worked with,” CU head coach Tad Boyle said. “Mike is the ultimate grinder; works extremely hard and he’s a guy that thinks, a forward-thinker. He’s ready to be a head coach. He has all the tools in what it takes to be a head coach, and is invaluable to our staff, and to me.”

During Rohn’s tenure in Boulder, the Buffaloes’ have accumulated 149 victories, the most wins in any seven-year span of the program (116 years). In addition he has helped guide the Buffaloes to seven-straight seasons of postseason play (2010-17), a program first, including four NCAA Tournaments. CU’s three straight trips to the NCAA Tournament (2012, ’13 & ’14), are also school firsts.

Rohn has helped build the Coors Events Center into a dominant home court advantage, making the Buffs’ one of the most feared arenas to play in with a seven-year mark of 101-19 (.842).

As the recruiting coordinator, Rohn helped deliver the 25th ranked recruiting class in the nation in 2017 according to Rivals and Scout.

The groundwork of the program’s success was built during the first two years where Rohn assisted with back-to-back 24-win campaigns of 2010-11 and 2011-12. The 24 victories continue to be a school record for victories in a single-season. The 24 wins in his first season were part of CU’s run to the NIT semifinals at Madison Square Garden in New York City, the school’s last year in the Big 12 Conference.

The following year (2011-12), the program equaled another 24 victories, CU’s first year in the Pac-12 Conference. The Buffaloes became just the 10th team in the nation to win at least four games in four days to capture the tournament title at the inaugural conference tournament. The tournament title was the Buffaloes first since winning the Big 8 in 1968-69.

With the automatic tournament berth, CU earned its first NCAA Tournament appearance since 2002-03 and saw the Buffs upset No. 6 UNLV in the first round.

Another successful season followed in 2012-13 (21 wins), where Rohn and the Buffs earned back-to-back NCAA Tournament berths for the first time in 50 years (1961-62 & 1962-63). The following year (2013-14), another NCAA Tournament followed with 23 wins, setting a school record with three consecutive NCAA Tourney appearances and four-straight 20-winning seasons.

The 2013-14 campaign saw CU register 23 wins, the third-most victories in school history. That CU team also tallied a third place finish in the final Pac-12 Conference standings, the program’s highest placing in 18 years.

After a 16-18 campaign, and a trip to the CBI Quarterfinals in 2014-15, Colorado rebounded with its fifth 20-win season in six years in 2015-16. The Buffaloes sported a record of 22-12 and finished fifth in the Pac12 at 10-8. Rohn helped Colorado to 11 straight wins during the nonconference schedule, the fifth longest in program history and best run since 1961-62. Colorado’s 21 regular season wins tied a school record – joining the 2013-14 and 1996-97 teams — and 22 overall tied for fourth in the school annals.

Colorado made its seventh-straight postseason appearance in 2016-17 with a 19-15 overall record and a berth in the NIT.

During his seven years in Boulder, Rohn has mentored a quartet of former CU student-athlete standouts who have made the next step professionally in their respective basketball careers.

Alec Burks, a sophomore, was CU’s second-ever lottery pick and selected No. 12 overall by the Utah Jazz in the 2011 NBA Draft; Andre Roberson left after his junior
year, was the No. 26 overall selection by the Minnesota Timberwolves in 2013 (later traded to Oklahoma City).

Spencer Dinwiddie, also a junior, was drafted by the Detroit Pistons in the 2014 NBA Draft (second round, No. 38 overall); and Cory Higgins, the school’s all-time co-leader in points, played with the Charlotte Bobcats during the 2011-12 season.

This past summer, Derrick White became the fourth Buff to be selected in the first round of the NBA draft in the last seven years, as he was picked 29th overall by the San Antonio Spurs.

Rohn has also coached a number of CU student-athletes to conference excellence.

In 2010-11, Burks was a Wooden Award Top-20 finalist and unanimous All-Big 12 first team selection; Levi Knutson was the Big 12 Conference Sixth Man of the Year, and Higgins was All-Big 12 third team.

In CU’s first year of the Pac-12, Roberson (first team, All-Defensive, All-Tournament team), Carlon Brown (second team, tournament’s Most Outstanding Player), and Dinwiddie (freshman team) garnered all-Conference honors.

In year two of the conference, Roberson (first team, Defensive Player of the Year, All-Defensive team), Dinwiddie (first team) and Josh Scott (All-Freshman team) earned post-season accolades, and in year three, Scott continued CU’s prominence among the elite Pac-12 Conference players selected to the first team.

Scott repeated his all-conference honor in 2015-16 and was a finalist for the Kareem Abdul-Jabbar Award, given to the nation’s best big man. Scott was also on the Pac-12 All-Defensive team while front-court mate Wesley Gordon earned honorable mention. George King was named the Pac-12’s Most Improved Player of the Year.

White earned 2017 All-Pac-12 First Team honors while also being selected to the league’s All-Defense team.

In August 2014, Rohn was the head coach the Athletics In Action team, a school-first for any CU assistant. AIA is a worldwide Christian sports organization was also comprised of then-CU sophomore Tre’Shaun Fletcher and other college basketball players from around the nation embarking on an eight-day Baltic tour of Russia. Team USA won three of four games against professional competition.

Prior to his arrival to Boulder, Rohn spent the three years as the director of basketball operations at Texas A&M (2007-10) where he was part of the coaching staff that helped the Aggies to a trio of NCAA Tournament Round of 32 appearances. During those three years in College Station, the Aggies won 73 games, in addition to 28 Big 12 Conference games. A&M also led the conference in scoring defense (65.8 ppg.) for the first time in league history during the 2009-10 campaign.

During the 2009-10 season, Rohn helped the development of current NBA players Deandre Jordan, Kris Middleton, and Donald Sloan.

At Wichita State, where Rohn spent seven years (2000-07) as an assistant coach to Mark Turgeon, in addition with current CU Associate Head Coach, Jean Prioleau, the Shockers engineered an impressive resume, earning three-straight NIT trips (2003, 2004, 2005). During the 2005-06 season, the Shockers not only won their first Missouri Valley Conference championship in 19 years, they capped off a 26-9 record with a 2006 NCAA Tournament berth and a Sweet 16 appearance, a school-first in 18 years.

Rohn also helped coach fifth-year student-athlete Paul Miller cap off one of the best careers of any Shocker center by being named the MVC Player of the Year, the first Shocker to earn the award in 21 years, in addition to Jamar Howard (Missouri Valley Conference Defensive Player of the Year).

Prior to Wichita State, Rohn served three seasons as head coach from 1996-2000 at Dodge City (Kan.) Community College, where he built a 55-38 record and coached the Conquistadors to three consecutive state playoff appearances, including a 21-10 mark in 1999-2000. Rohn was also an assistant coach at Dodge City from 1993-96. In 1997, Dodge City was crowned the 1997 Jayhawk West Conference Champions.

Rohn was a graduate assistant coach at Fort Hays State (1991-93) while earning a master’s degree in sports administration and coaching. He earned a bachelor’s degree in physical education in 1990 from McPherson College, where he was a two-time all-conference selection. There he was named the league’s newcomer of the year as a junior and was the conference player of the year as a senior. He also was named McPherson’s Male Athlete of the Year in 1989.

He also served as an assistant coach at Colby Community College (1990-91) and at his alma mater, McPherson College (1989-90). Rohn transferred to McPherson after playing two seasons at Dodge City Community College.

Rohn, and his wife, Stephanie, have two daughters, Raegen and Rylee.
Assistant Coach Bill Grier

Bill Grier is in his second season as an assistant coach for the University of Colorado’s men’s basketball team.

In his first season, Grier helped the Buffaloes to a 19-15 overall record and a spot in the 2017 Postseason NIT. It was Colorado’s seventh-straight postseason appearance; a school record. The Buffaloes’ regular season was highlighted by wins over three ranked teams, including No. 13/14 Xavier and No. 10/10 Oregon, who would eventually advance to the 2017 NCAA Elite Eight and Final Four respectively.

Grier helped mentor Derrick White, a 2017 All-Pac-12 Conference First Team pick and a member of the league’s All-Defense team. This past summer, White became the fourth Buff to be selected in the first round of the NBA draft in the last seven years, as he was picked 29th overall by the San Antonio Spurs.

“We’re fortunate to have a guy like Bill Grier on our coaching staff because he brings a wealth of experience,” Boyle said. “Most importantly he has recruiting contacts on the west coast, and internationally. He’s one of those guys that I knew if I ever had an opening on our staff, he was a guy that I wanted to go after...we’re lucky to have him.”

Grier gives Colorado an extra asset in West Coast recruiting. An Oregon native, Grier is in his 26th season as a collegiate coach, with 24 years spent in Washington and Southern California. That expertise was noted this last fall as Colorado was able to secure a Top 25 recruiting class according to Rivals and Scout.

Grier won 117 games in eight seasons as the head coach at San Diego (2007-15) and played an integral role in Gonzaga’s rise to prominence in 15 years as an assistant with the Bulldogs (1992-2007). Most recently, Grier spent the 2015-16 season as an assistant coach at Oklahoma State.

“Anytime you have the opportunity to hire a former head coach it’s a plus,” Boyle said. “It’s not a requirement to be a good assistant, but I think when guys have been head coaches and then they become assistant coaches they’re better assistant coaches because they understand what the head coach is going through; they understand the issues, they understand the decisions that have to be made.”

Now residing in Colorado, it gives his family a sense of home being back in the west. He grew up in Oregon and met his wife, Nicole, in Spokane where they lived before...
moving to San Diego. Colorado is a place the Grier’s are thrilled about to raise their two daughters, Giselle and Ashley.

“My wife is from Montana, we met in Spokane,” Grier said. “We like that Colorado, Boulder, is that type of setting that we’ve become so accustomed to. I’m really excited for our children to be in that environment.”

Grier led the Toreros to the 2008 West Coast Conference Tournament championship, and rode that momentum into the NCAA Tournament with a first-round upset of No. 4 seed Connecticut - the only NCAA Tournament win in school history.

He led San Diego to six wins over top 25 teams, took down Kentucky in Rupp Arena and racked up eight All-West Coast Conference selections and nine WCC All-Academic Team nods during his tenure. In 2014, the Toreros advanced to the quarterfinals of the CollegeInsider.com Tournament.

Grier finished his time in San Diego with a 117-144 record, including 51 WCC wins, which ranks 24th in the conference’s history.

During his time at Gonzaga as the program’s defensive coordinator, the Bulldogs led the WCC in field goal percentage defense six times, including the third best mark in the nation in 2004.

Grier served as the recruiting director for his last 10 years with the Zags, and his 2007 class was the program’s best to that point. That class ranked 11th in the nation by Rivals, and boasted four recruits among the top-100 in the country.

“He was extremely well prepared and you could tell that in his practice and game preparations,” said Dan Dickau, former WCC Player of the Year at Gonzaga and current Pac-12 Network analyst. “He’s a guy that knows how to relate to coaches and players; parents during the recruiting process… a great hire by Boyle.”

Grier also successfully developed both post players (1997-2003) and perimeter players (2003-2007). Post players Bakari Hendrix (1998) and Casey Calvary (2001) were both WCC Players of the Year. Perimeter players he worked with included Derek Raivio (2007), the WCC Player of the Year; Adam Morrison (2006), a First Team All-American and WCC Player of the Year; and Blake Stepp (2004), a Second Team All-American and two-time WCC Player of the Year.

“He is one heck of a basketball mind,” said Gonzaga head coach Mark Few, prior to Grier’s appointment to Oklahoma State. “Bill is hard working and loyal, and he played a huge part in building Gonzaga basketball to where it is now. I leaned on him heavily up here at Gonzaga, especially on the defensive side of the floor. When he went to San Diego he really evolved on the offensive side, and did some special things with those teams. Bill is an unbelievable student of the game who is always looking to learn and get better.”

Grier started his coaching career at his alma mater, Cottage Grove High School in 1986. After serving two years as a freshman coach, Grier was elevated to junior varsity coach and varsity assistant. Grier left Cottage Grove to be the head coach at Creswell High School during the 1990-91 season.

He played two years in junior college (Central Oregon and Southwestern Oregon), then transferred to Oregon where he received a B.S. degree in Leisure Studies and Services in 1990.
Kim English is in his first season as an assistant coach for the Colorado men’s basketball team.

English spent the last two seasons on the men’s basketball staff at Tulsa under Frank Haith, who he played for as a senior at Missouri. He was an assistant coach last season for the Golden Hurricane while serving as the program’s director of player development in 2015-16.

“It’s a chance for me to get to the Power 5 level and compete against the best,” English said. “The Pac-12 Conference is at an all-time high. Bill Walton always calls it the ‘Conference of Champions’ and it truly is. I’m excited to work for coach Boyle and this staff and excited to work extremely hard for these student-athletes.”

Boyle sees similarities in English that he saw in Prioleau as a young coach 19 years ago.

“I preach good habits with our guys, so I do the same,” English said. “I’ll be a relentless worker from a player development standpoint, relentless in scouting and preparing for our opponents, and a relentless worker on the recruiting trail.”

Boyle sees similarities in English that he saw in Prioleau as a young coach 19 years ago.

“He’s not too far removed from playing, so he can relate to the players,” said Boyle, who picked up his first Big 12 conference victory against English and the Tigers in 2011. “Kim has a passion for having a positive effect on young men’s lives; being a mentor and a positive role model.

English describes himself as an “every-day, even-keel guy.” He has four words for all of his student-athletes: play hard, act right.
“The great thing about Colorado is that you can attract good candidates. Kim English isn’t just a good one, he’s a great one. We’re lucky to have him.”

Following a successful playing career at Missouri from 2008-12, English was selected by the Detroit Pistons with the 44th overall pick in the 2012 NBA Draft. He played in 41 games during the 2012-13 season and spent the following two years overseas.

English averaged 11.1 points, 3.0 rebounds, 1.4 assists and 1.1 steals per game during his four-year career at Missouri and his 1,570 points ranks 13th in program history. He earned third-team All-Big 12 Conference honors in 2010 and 2012, and was named to the USA Today All-Improved Team and the USBWA All-District Team in 2010.

In 2012, English averaged 14.5 points, 4.2 rebounds, 1.6 assists and 1.3 steals per outing, and he ranked fifth in the Big 12 with 78 3-point field goals, while leading Missouri to a school-record 30 wins, the Big 12 Tournament title and a No. 2 seed in the NCAA Tournament during Haith’s first season. He was named Most Outstanding Player of the Big 12 Tournament as he averaged 23.0 points and shot 78-percent during the Tigers’ championship run.

After his time with the Pistons, English played basketball in Europe, including stints with Montepaschi Siena in Italy and Chorale Roanne Basket, Nancy Basket and Cholet Basket in France, along with Guaros De Lara BBC in Venezuela. He also had a brief stint with the Chicago Bulls in 2014.

A native of Baltimore, Md., English received his bachelor’s degree in general studies from Missouri in 2012. He and his wife, Jessica, welcomed a daughter, Celine, to the family in April.