

## About Us

The Zero-G Elite Vault Club was started in 2012 with the purchase of the Cross Bar Ranch by Bob Richards, former Olympic Champion. After hours of raising donations buying a vault pit, and building a state of the art runway, the club facility was finally completed in December of 2012. In 2021, Zero G found a new home at the Bar High Facility off of Bogey Lane. Zero G added 2 former vaulters, Brandon Bray and Chase Hood to the lineup for the addition of private coach availability. If you are looking for an opportunity to be the best vaulter that you can possibly be, then you have come to the right place.

## AAU Sanctioned

The Zero G Elite Vault Club is sanctioned with Amateur Athletics Union and we are recognized as a legitimate club within the organization. We have to recertify each year and are devoted to give to the organization that dedicates itself to the continuation of track and field in the United States. Each athlete is required to join AAU and remain current under our club affiliation and to participate under the rules and guidelines of AAU.

## Philosophy

We believe that what happens in the vault is a continuous cycle, beginning with the way you start with your approach, and ending with the clearance over the bar. Everything happens as a result of the previous action in the vault. We approach the vault in a teaching progression that promotes safety. Our teaching progression is guaranteed to produce a great vaulter with a will to be successful. We have combined experience over 90 years of involvement and have spent a lifetime being students of the sport and continue to develop our knowledge of producing successful vaulters. We teach from beginner to advanced level vaulters and all phases in between. If you are dedicated enough and put in the right amount of time, you are certain to be successful in our school of pole vaulting!

## Directions



### From I-35

Exit on Martin Luther King Blvd. Continue North along the Brazos river out of Waco. After crossing over Steinbeck Bend, Bogey Ln is approximately ¼ of a mile. Next left after Lakeshore Funeral Home

### From Bosqueville

Travel South on Steinbeck Bend. Turn right on Bogey Lane. (Before Lakeshore Funeral Home) First left, Gated Entrance.



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Zero-G Facility at the High Bar Facility

# Home of Champion Coaching

## Jeff Bray

Coach Bray jumped 17'-7" as a high school All-American. Coach Bray won the AAU indoor national title and was the Golden West champion in 1989. Coach Bray was a two time state champion and the Gatorade Circle of Champions state winner in 1989.

In College, Coach Bray set the ACC indoor and Outdoor records which still stand today, 20 years later. Coach Bray's vault of 18'-6.5" in college earned him a bid at the 1992 Olympic Trials, where he recorded a 12<sup>th</sup> place finish. Coach Bray was a 3 Time NCAA All-American and was undefeated in 4 years of ACC Conference competition. Coach Bray was inducted into the Florida State Hall of Fame in 2010.

## Bill Farmer

Coach Farmer was a 30 year head track Coach at Midway High School and has coached many elite level vaulters, including former HS National Record holder, and currently rated the #3 all time HS vaulter, Brandon Richards. Coach Farmer had two former grandchildren, and two current grandchildren that compete for Zero G. Coach is one of the most dedicated people in Texas to improving kids in all aspects of life. Coach currently volunteers time to help the vaulters at Troy, Tx. and in dedicating a lot of his retired time to coaching vaulters at Zero G.

## Jeff Zander

Jeff was a HS vaulter at Reisel, before attending Texas AM and competing in the track program in college. Jeff has had two sons in the program, including state champion Tyler. Coach has a daughter, Kenzie, currently competing for Zero G. Coach was a HS coach for over 20 years before taking on a venture in private business. He dedicates a lot of time to the club, and has a real passion for the pole vault and motivating kids to be successful!

## Brandon Bray

As a HS vaulter and Zero G Club Member, Brandon set many records, including the 16U national record, the 17U national record, and the Jr. National record his Jr year in HS. Brandon was a 2 time Texas state champion, and is the current Centex Record Holder in HS. Brandon was a 2 time HS first team All-American in the vault. While Competing for Texas Tech, Brandon earned 4 All-American honors and participated on the 2019 National Champion Red Raider Team. Brandon set the outdoor school record in 2019 with a leap of 18'81/4" and the indoor school record in 2020 with a leap of 18'51/4". Brandon is one of the Zero G Private lesson coaches.

## Chase Hood

As a High School Vaulter, Chase joined Zero G in its year of induction, and was the first State champion for Zero G. Chase attended Baylor University on a track scholarship and competed in the Pole Vault and Decathlon for 4 years. Chase brings a wealth of PV knowledge and will also serve as a private lesson coach for the club.

## Joining the Club

### Requirements:

All Club participants must be registered with AAU Track and Field. You can register at <https://play.aausports.org/joinaa/membershipapplication.aspx> The cost is minimal and you need to make sure you are registered with the Zero G Elite Pole Vault Club.

### Fees:

**Monthly Fees:** If you would like to be a full time member of the club, the cost is \$120.00 per month. This entitles you to unlimited group lessons, usually 12-20 sessions per month. The money may be paid by check or cash to Jeff Bray by the 5<sup>th</sup> of each month. In addition to club fees, all vaulters will be expected to cover any expenses incurred at track meets through transportation, room and board, and entry fees. Private lessons are also available for additional fees

**Please Make Checks Payable to : JEFF BRAY**

### Club Participation:

The club vaults and competes from October to August. We compete in a local indoor meet circuit and summer track with USATF and TAAF.

## Zero G: Home of Champions

### 2013 State Champions

Hunter Webb-16'0"-Class 3a

Chase Hood-15'0"-Class 1A

### 2014 State Champion

Brandon Bray-17'8"

### 2015 State Champions

Brandon Bray-17'2"

Graham Gonzalez-16'3"

### 2016 and 2017 State Champion

Riley Richards

16yr. old National Record-Brandon Bray-17'6"

17yr. old National Record-Brandon Bray-17'8.5"

Jr. Class National Record-Brandon Bray-17'8.5"

## Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_ D.O.B. \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Athlete Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_

Father Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Email: \_\_\_\_\_

AAU Member #: \_\_\_\_\_

## Waiver of Liability

I \_\_\_\_\_ give permission for my child, \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in Zero G Elite Pole Vault.

I \_\_\_\_\_ understand that Zero G Elite Pole Vault Club is not responsible for accidents incurred while participating in club sponsored events and I hold harmless to Zero G Elite Pole Vault and its Coaches for any injury acquired while participating in the club, including practices, workouts, and meet competitions. I understand that pole vault can be a hazardous sport, and I claim all responsibility for costs related to injury. I will not hold Zero G Elite Pole Vault or its Coaches responsible for any injury while practicing or participating with Zero G Elite Pole Vault.

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Signature

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Date