

USA GYMNASTICS

Men's National Team

DJ Bucher

*2002 Pacific Alliance Championships-Team Gold & Parallel Bars Champion
2000 Jr. Pan American Championships Still Rings Champion
2000 Jr. Pan American Championships Team - Gold Medal*

Hometown: Mason, Ohio
Residence: Mason, Ohio
Date/Place of Birth: June 26, 1984/Cincinnati, Ohio
Club: Queen City Gymnastics
Coach: Keith Pettit, Norm Stulz
School: Mason High School
Year in School: Senior (Fall '02)
Favorite Event: Parallel Bars
Began Gymnastics: 1987
Years on Sr. National Team: 1 (2002-03)
Years on Jr. National Team: 4 (1997-98, 1998-99, 2000-01, 2001-02)



Personal Info

DJ was a member of the gold medal winning 2002 Pacific Alliance team, where he also won a gold medal on parallel bars. He is the son of Alan and Natalie Bucher. He has a younger brother, Jacob (3/17/86), who has his brown belt in Tae Kwon Do. His mother was a gymnast and his father used to race go-carts. Bucher's favorite subject in school is chemistry, and he enjoys watching "Crank Yankers" and "Sponge Bob" on television. His future gymnastics goals include making the 2003 World Championships team and the 2004 Olympic team. Bucher hopes to someday pursue a career in industrial design.

International Competition

- 2002 Pacific Alliance Championships, Vancouver, CAN; Junior competition: 1st-Team, 4th-AA, 1st-PB, 2nd-SR, 2nd-V
 - 2002 Jurassic Classic, Calgary, Alberta, CAN; Senior competition: 1st-Team, 3rd-PB
 - 2001 Canberra Cup, Canberra, Australia; 2nd-AA, 2nd-SR, 2nd-PB, FX, PH, V, & HB Event Finalist
 - 2000 Jr. Pan American Games, Curitiba, Brazil; 1st-Team, 1st-SR, 3rd-PB
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National Competition

- 2002 U.S. Championships, Cleveland, Ohio
- 2002 U.S. National Qualifier, Colorado Springs, Colo.
- 2002 Winter Cup Challenge, Las Vegas, Nev., 5th-AA, 1st-PB
- 2001 U.S. Championships, Philadelphia, Pa.; 1st-AA
- 2001 GymJam National Qualifier, Santa Barbara, Calif.; 7th-AA (Jr. competing in Sr. div.)
- 2001 Winter Cup Challenge, Las Vegas, Nev., 14th-AA
- 2000 John Hancock U.S. Gymnastics Championships, St. Louis, Mo.; T2nd-AA, T2nd-PH, 2nd-PB, 4th-HB
- 2000 J.O. Nationals, Austin, Texas; 3rd-AA, 3rd-FX, 2nd-PH,
- 1999 John Hancock U.S. Gymnastics Championships, Sacramento, Calif.

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- 1999 J.O. Nationals, Houston, Texas