

LINA TAYLOR

Advocate | Speaker | Olympian

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As the Founder of MISSION SOAR, Lina guides student athletes to build character and overcome challenges, stretching the limits of the "IMPOSSIBLE" to discover the "I-M-POSSIBLE."

"Breaking down the complex to achieve the extraordinary!" Elite professional athletes who want to excel in business, work with Lina to obtain expert guidance, accountability, and network for success.

Speaker

"Incredibly motivational and moving!" An engaging storyteller, Lina transforms audiences by conveying life lessons of persistence, dedication, resourcefulness. Participants are taken on a journey to discover their own hidden possibilities, powerful allies, and true gifts.

Olympian

Lina and her sister Petia, played Beach Volleyball in the 2000 & 2004 Olympic Games.



A Story of Determination

Lina has never stepped away from a challenge and inspires others to face the impossible and experience unprecedented success. At just age 14, growing up in communist Bulgaria, she realized that her future lay in earning a scholarship to an American university. Undeterred by the overwhelming political and social challenges, Lina pioneered a way for countless other student athletes to achieve the same dream.

After graduating as an Academic All-American with a degree in Biology, Lina turned to beach volleyball in pursuit of her Olympic dream. In mere months, Lina climbed from the bottom of the ranking to represent her home country at the Olympics. Lina and her sister played at both Sydney in 2000 and Athens in 2004.

Since then, Lina has pursued her post sport career with equal passion and determination. This resulted in her launching an international company, guiding student athletes to achieve their goals by learning crucial skills for success at the next level. She also works with former elite athletes and Olympians, helping them find success in the business arena. Lina serves on several committees for non-profit organizations benefiting children.



At a Glance:

"I love how Lina channeled her passion and success into a program designed to help instill successful traits into this generation of student athletes. Those that take advantage of this program and commit themselves to what it offers will be miles ahead of the competition." - Jen Hanna, LPGA, Furman University

As a respected authority on youth sports, Lina is a featured speaker at national conventions.

Lina's athletic accomplishments include competing in 2 Olympics, 4 collegiate conference championships, 4 youth national championships, and more.

She knows what it takes to win at every level and is committed to lead others to success.

Photo 1: working with youth in Paris, France

Photo 2: leading a volleyball camp in the Peruvian Andes.

Guiding Parents, Coaches, and Student Athletes

Lina founded MISSION **SOAR** to teach high school student athletes the crucial skills to excel in sports, the classroom, and in life. Her signature system **5.0 GPA - The Five Guiding Principles of Achievement** helps students build resilience, confidence, communication and time management skills.

Lina is currently writing her memoir, a coming of age story, detailing experiences from growing up behind the Iron Curtain.

Often commenting that family is the biggest joy, challenge and responsibility, Lina and her husband are raising their two young boys in the diverse communities of San Diego and New York.

"I believe that a person with ordinary abilities, equipped with the right skills, can achieve extraordinary results."

Lina Taylor

