

PARK HIGH SCHOOL

HALL OF FAME

Athletic Division By-Laws

I. PURPOSE

It is the purpose of the Hall of Fame to give special recognition to outstanding athletes, coaches, and community members who have made significant contributions to the athletic program at Park High School.

II. CRITERIA FOR ELIGIBILITY

A. Athletes

1. The candidate must have graduated a minimum of ten years prior to his/her nomination.
2. The candidate must, during and following his/her career, have exemplified the attitude and conduct that is a credit to Park High School.
3. The committee will consider the following achievements as criteria for selection purposes:
 - a. Competed on a conference championship team
 - b. Competed in a state tournament as an individual or was on a team that qualified for state competition
 - c. Earned a letter in more than one sport or earned multiple letters in a single sport
 - d. Earned a state championship title in an individual sport
 - e. Earned a MVP award in a selected sport, was voted to an all-state team or an all-conference team
 - f. Set a school record or was a statistical leader in a selected sport
 - g. Earned an athletic award (i.e. Athena, Earl Gustafson, Honor Athlete, etc.)
 - h. Earned accolades or recognition for post-high school achievements.

B. Coaches

1. Head and assistant coaches are eligible for induction.
2. Head coaches are eligible once they are no longer coaching at Park High School. Assistant coaches may be eligible at any time.

3. The committee will consider the following achievements as criteria for selection purposes:
 - a. Won a conference championship
 - b. Won a state championship (team or individual)
 - c. Had a winning percentage of .500 or above
 - d. Earned a conference, region, state, or national coaching award
 - e. Built a successful athletic program
 - f. Taught in the district
 - g. Significantly impacted the development of their sport in the community
 - h. Coached more than one sport
 - i. Exhibited longevity
 - j. Significantly impacted the lives of student-athletes at Park

C. Community members - Any person who has made a significant and continuing contribution toward promoting athletics at Park High School.

D. Teams

1. On the 25th anniversary of a Park High School team's MSHSL state championship the team (members and coaches) will be inducted.
2. A Park High School team which has attained record status or state recognition and has been out of school at least 25 years is eligible for induction.

III. NOMINATION AND SELECTION PROCESS

- A. Anyone may make a nomination to the Hall of Fame committee by filling out the nomination form. It is the responsibility of the nominator to complete all information on nomination ballot and verify accuracy.
- B. Forms are available in the athletic office, Park High School. Forms must be returned to the activities office by April 15th to be considered for selection in the current school year.
- C. The selection committee will meet periodically after April 15th to consider nominations.
- D. Each member of the committee will have a total of five votes – one vote per candidate. A minimum of seven votes will be required for induction to the Hall of Fame.

- E. A maximum of five individuals will be inducted each year except when the “Golden Era” rule applies.
- F. Golden Era Rule – Every 5 years a 6th candidate will be inducted from the Golden Era (pre 1950’s) if, in the previous 4 years, one has not been inducted.
- G. The Hall of Fame committee may amend the procedures for selection and induction.
- H. Inductees will be announced during Homecoming activities in the fall.
- I. Those nominees not selected for induction will remain candidates indefinitely and any additional materials provided to the committee will supplement their files.

IV. VOTING PROCEDURES

- A. The current activities director will ask each committee member to identify the nominees they have selected for induction into the Hall of Fame.
- B. The current activities director will ask each committee member to identify the nominees they have selected for induction into the Hall of Fame.
- C. The current activities director will total the votes for each nominee. A minimum of seven votes will be required for induction.
- D. If there are more than five nominees with the required number of votes, committee members will be asked to rank the nominees from strongest to weakest. The top candidate will be ranked number one and the weakest candidate ranked the highest number. The five with the lowest combined scores will be approved.
- E. If there are less than five nominees with the required number of votes, a process may be used to eliminate candidates with the fewest number of votes.
- F. A candidate’s nomination will either be:
 - 1. Approved – Hall of Fame Induction; or

2. Put on Hold – nominee will remain a candidate indefinitely and any additional materials provided to the committee will supplement their file.
- G. All actions of the committee will be confidential. The committee members will not discuss or elaborate on any details of evaluation.

V. HALL OF FAME COMMITTEE

- A. The Hall of Fame selection committee shall be made up of nine members as designated:
1. The current activities director of Park High School.
 2. An inductee of the Park Hall of Fame.
 3. Four members of the Park High School coaching staff, past or present.
 4. Three members of the Park community.
- B. Selection committee terms will be three years in length and will run from January 1st to January 1st, and be arranged such that one committee member's term ends each year, thereby opening one vacancy on the committee each year.
- C. When a vacancy arises, the selection committee will solicit a replacement from the community or from Park High School personnel. The vacancy will be filled on a consensus basis.
- D. Length of service on the selection committee will be limited to two consecutive terms. A former selection committee member will be eligible for reappointment after one full term has elapsed from his/her last year of service on the selection committee.
- E. One member of the committee will be elected to serve a one-year term as chairperson. The responsibility of the chairperson will be to facilitate all meetings and make arrangements for the recognition of inductees at the awards banquet.
- F. The activities director will serve as secretary-treasurer for the Hall of Fame committee. He/She will receive and file all nominations and handle all finances relating to the business of the Hall of Fame committee.
- G. Two additional people will be selected by the committee. These people will be a nonvoting member of the committee, but will be invited to attend all committee meetings.

1. The Hall of Fame Golf Tournament Director. This person will organize the annual golf tournament.
2. The Hall of Fame Secretary
 - a. This person will assist the Hall of Fame Chairperson and Activities Director.
 - b. Duties may include maintaining Hall of Fame contact list, compose quarterly newsletter, compose the Hall of Fame program& inductee biographies, and assist in organizing the Hall of Fame banquet.
 - c. This person will receive an annual stipend of \$400.00.

VI. AMENDMENTS

The Athletic Division by-laws of the Hall of Fame Committee may be amended by a majority vote.

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