

# Walled Lake Schools Wall of Fame

## **MISSION OF THE WALL OF FAME:**

Walled Lake Consolidated Schools Wall of Fame was created and adopted by the Board of Education in 2006 to honor and recognize the contributions to society of former students, employees or community members. These individuals' contributions should not be limited in nature but be noteworthy and outstanding accomplishments that can serve as role models to be emulated by students and the employees of the Walled Lake Schools.

Individuals recognized on the Wall of Fame have made extraordinary contributions to the people and communities of Walled Lake Schools.

Honorees have given exceptional service with such distinction that their contributions are widely felt and recognized by students, families, peers and the community-at-large.

## **LOCATION OF THE WALL OF FAME:**

Originally, the Wall of Fame was located at the Walled Lake Schools' Community Education Center. In 2018 it was redesigned, reconstructed and relocated to the back wall of the Board of Education Room at the Educational Services Center, 850 Ladd Road, Building D, Walled Lake, MI, 48390.

## **CRITERIA FOR ELIGIBILITY OF WALL OF FAME HONOREES:**

The following criteria shall be used in reviewing each nominee's eligibility:

The nominee must have lived, worked or contributed by outstanding endeavors to the enrichment of the Walled Lake School District. Nominees should be individuals who have made contributions that stand the test of time and who have helped make the Walled Lake School District a better place to live, learn and become a better citizen.

The Wall of Fame seeks to recognize individuals known and respected by various segments of the community who have continually demonstrated character and integrity and have had positive impact on the students, families and community-at-large.

Those individuals eligible for the Wall of Fame should have distinguished themselves in one or more of the following areas:

- Professional Life
- Educational Accomplishments
- Political Leadership
- Humanitarian Contributions
- Community Contributions
- Athletic Endeavors
- Artistic Endeavors

If having been employed by the Walled Lake School District, the nominee shall have been retired and or separated from the district for five years to qualify for nomination. Honorees may not be in active service in the district or hold elected office at the time of the naming, unless the circumstances are exceptional.

## **NOMINATION PROCESS FOR THE WALL OF FAME:**

Nominations and supporting materials must be in writing on or before February 1 of the current year to be considered by the "Wall of Fame" Committee. Please mail materials to: Director of Community Relations and Marketing, Walled Lake Schools, 850 Ladd Road, Building D, Walled Lake, Michigan 48390.

The Community Relations Office of the Walled Lake Schools will acknowledge in writing receipt of all nominations.

A: Information required in nomination:

1. Full name of nominee, including maiden names where appropriate.
2. Nominee contact information, address, phone numbers, and Email address. Is nominee deceased? If so, include year of death.
3. Was nominee a Walled Lake Schools' employee? Alumni?, If so, when (please list dates).
4. Has nominee been contacted regarding nomination? If so, when?
5. Person making the nomination:
  1. Name
  2. Address
  3. Email
  4. Phone

B: The "extraordinary achievement" is to be supported with quality background documentation, and may include but not limited to a resume, newspaper clippings, magazine articles, photos, and a list of other distinctions the individual has received. Please include any other documentation you believe will assist in the selection process.

C: The nominee application form must include two to five original testimonials that are authenticated by original signatures and include contact information for the authors.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE SELECTION COMMITTEE RECEIVE AMPLE INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR NOMINEE with a cover letter including the information described in Section A, 1-5 above and supporting materials as described in Sections B and C.

**PLEASE DO NOT SEND ORIGINALS; COPIES WILL NOT BE RETURNED.**

## **DECISION/SELECTION PROCESS:**

Under the direction of the Director of Community Relations, an ad hoc selection committee will be convened on an annual or as needed basis to review the nominations after the February 1 submission deadline.

The Wall of Fame Committee, comprised of five to seven members, shall equitably represent:

- Alumni
- Retirees
- Community-at-large
- Current district representatives.

The Wall of Fame Committee shall meet to review the nominations and a decision that is the consensus of the committee will be given to the Superintendent to recommend to the Board of Education.

All final decisions regarding Wall of Fame selections ultimately are at the discretion of the Board of Education in accordance with recommendations of the committee.

If at any time following approval of the naming, circumstances change substantially so that the continued use of that name may compromise the public trust, the committee will give the information to the Superintendent to review with the Board of Education to make a decision regarding future action.