



CEDAR SPRINGS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Athletic Hall of Fame Nomination Guidelines

Red Hawk Hall of Fame

Honoring Excellence: The Red Hawk Athletic Hall of Fame celebrates exceptional athletic accomplishments of former Red Hawk athletes, fostering a sense of pride, honor, and respect within our community.

Legacy Strengthened: This initiative strengthens the Cedar Springs High School athletic legacy by publicly recognizing individuals or groups who have made a lasting impact. Their influence inspires current and future athletes in our district.

Core Values: Through this program, we instill values of commitment and ensure long-term recognition for those who have contributed significantly to our athletic heritage.

Requirements for Nomination

- **Inclusive Criteria:** Any person (living or deceased) engaged in athletic activities while at Cedar Springs High School is eligible for nomination. This includes athletes, coaches, managers, athletic directors, volunteers, or any combination of roles.
- **Significant Contribution:** Nominees should have made substantial contributions to the success, recognition, and continuity of Red Hawk athletics during their involvement.
- **Consideration Period:** Once nominated, individuals remain under consideration for five (5) years. If not selected within this period, they can be re-nominated, with a limit of up to four times for consideration.

To be fully considered for inclusion into the Cedar Springs High School Athletic Hall of Fame the individual must meet at least two of the following five requirements:

1. The person must have earned at least one varsity letter in any Cedar Springs High School-sanctioned sport and have graduated from Cedar Springs High School at least 10 years before nomination.
2. The person coached at least ten combined years at Cedar Springs High School and has since retired from coaching at Cedar Springs High School for at least five years.
3. Former employees/managers/volunteers of Cedar Springs High School who have made outstanding contributions to Red Hawk student-athletes.
4. The person has distinguished himself/herself with a high degree of character throughout their high school, post-high school, or adult life.
5. Any community member(s), team, or organization that has made tremendous, and remarkable, efforts towards the development and success of Cedar Springs High School Athletics.

Teams that have been deemed state champions are automatically discussed every year and do not need to be nominated.



Nomination Process

Nominator must complete the Nomination Form and submit supplemental documentation to support their nomination.

1. Provide a written statement (500 words or less) outlining why the nominee deserves consideration for the Red Hawk Athletic Hall of Fame. Supportive Information may include relevant details supporting the nomination, such as achievements, leadership qualities, and contributions to Red Hawk athletics.
2. Things to include (but not required) to support your submission:
 - a. **Sports Accomplishments:** Information about sports played and number of varsity letters earned.
 - b. **Individual Honors:** Recognition like team captaincy, Most Valuable Player, All-Conference, etc.
 - c. **Records and Achievements:** Notable records set at school, conference, or state level, along with championships won.
 - d. **Competitive Placements:** Nominee's standings in conference or state competitions.
 - e. **Post-High School Athletics:** Participation in collegiate or professional athletics, indicating location and year.
 - f. **Career Path:** Details about the nominee's professional journey.
 - g. **Current Location & Involvement:** Nominee's present location and level of engagement in community and school activities.
 - h. **Pre/Post High School Involvement:** Coaching and community contributions before and after Cedar Springs High School Athletics participation.
 - i. **Supporting Documents:** Include relevant materials like newspaper articles, records, championships, and awards to substantiate the provided information. *

*It is the sole responsibility of the nominating party to submit all required and supplemental documentation. A nomination form without supporting documentation will not be considered by the Hall of Fame Committee.

Deadline for Submissions

Nominations must be submitted and received by the last Friday of November of the current year. Nominations and supporting documentation may be mailed to Cedar Springs High School Athletic Hall of Fame % Matt Moffett, Athletic Director, 204 E. Muskegon St, Cedar Springs, MI 49319, or emailed to matthew.moffett@csredhawks.org.

Questions

If you have any questions regarding any of the above, please contact the Cedar Springs High School Athletic Director Matt Moffett at matthew.moffett@csredhawks.org