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Tennis Court at Central High School Tennis Complex to be Named in Honor of Jim LoVullo

The Salina Public Schools Board of Education is honoring an inspiring figure who dedicated his life to shaping young minds and athletes. Central High School will officially name a tennis court, at the tennis complex, in honor of Jim LoVullo, a long-time coach and teacher at Salina Public Schools (SPS).

Jim LoVullo's illustrious career spanned an impressive 36 years, during which he wore many hats, including basketball, football, swimming, track, softball, and tennis coach, as well as athletic director at Lakewood Middle School. His dedication and commitment are evident in the nine 5A state titles earned by his teams and his invaluable contribution to promoting tennis programs, including the planning and construction of the CHS tennis complex.

LoVullo's accolades are a testament to his outstanding contribution to sports and education. He was twice recognized as Kansas Coaches Association Girls Tennis Coach of the Year, Midwest Section Coach of the Year and KCA's Boys Tennis Coach of the Year.

LoVullo was also inducted into the Kansas Tennis Coaches Association Hall of Fame, the Kansas Wesleyan Hall of Fame and the Salina Central Hall of Fame.

"We are pleased to honor Jim LoVullo by placing his name on our tennis court," said Linn Exline, superintendent. "His passion, dedication and unwavering commitment to our students and athletes have left a lasting mark on our community."

A dedication ceremony is expected later this 2024-2025 school year. More information will be shared after plans are finalized.

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