

Danville Area School District

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Legendary coaches, national and state champions and generational talents highlight the inaugural 15-member class of the Danville Area School District's Athletics Hall of Fame. The inaugural class is made up of a dozen Danville graduates and three coaches whose names are synonymous with the teams they led at Danville.

The group and ensuing classes will be recognized within a permanent location inside the Danville Area High School, to be unveiled in time for the inaugural class to be inducted in September.

The first class, selected by the Hall of Fame Committee following public nominations, includes:

- Jeff Brandt, Long-time cross-country, track & field coach
- Jack Curry, Class of 1964
- Dick Deitrick, Class of 1950
- Michele Duffy McCormick, Class of 1989
- Joe Gerst, Class of 1964
- Ron Kanaskie, Long-time wrestling, golf coach
- Robert Marks Sr., Class of 1963
- Dr. James Martin, Class of 1984
- Walter "Whitey" McCloskey, long-time basketball coach
- Kelly McConnell, Class of 1998
- Jim McWilliams, Class of 1959
- Jessi Perruguet, Class of 2000
- Larry Rudy, Class of 1962
- Randy Sidler, Class of 1974
- Paul Wysocki, Class of 1982

The class will be publicly introduced during the Danville-Milton football game on Friday, Sept. 19. A formal induction ceremony will be held the following afternoon, Saturday, Sept. 20, at The

Danville Area Performing Arts Center in the high school.

The public is invited to the induction ceremony. More information will be available as the event approaches later this summer.

Nominations are open for the next Hall of Fame Class to be inducted in 2026. To nominate an athlete, coach or contributor, visit <u>danvillesd.org/athletics/athletics-hall-of-fame</u>.