

# *Idaho High School Activities Association* **Hall of Fame Guidelines**

## **I. Purpose**

The purpose of the Hall of Fame is to preserve the heritage of high school activities in Idaho by honoring outstanding individuals of exemplary character who have excelled through meritorious long-time service and superior achievement.

## **II. Eligibility**

Nominees shall include individuals who through distinguished achievement have excelled in high school sports and/or activities sponsored by the IHSAA. Nominees will be judged on their significant, long-term contributions that merit statewide recognition. Individuals nominated for the IHSAA Hall of Fame may be from of the following categories:

- Athlete—a former high school athlete whose achievements as a high school athlete were extraordinary.
- Coach—a former high school coach whose accomplishments are/were extraordinary.
- Contest Official—a former high school contest official whose contributions are/were extraordinary.
- Administrator – a former high school athletic director, principal or superintendent involved in high school athletics whose contributions as an administrator were extraordinary. Administrators must be retired by the spring prior to induction of the applicable year to be nominated.
- Other—an individual who has made outstanding contributions to interscholastic athletics on a statewide scale in some capacity other than Athlete, Coach and Official, including such areas as sports medicine and sports media.
- Performing Arts—a current or former high school debate/speech/drama coach or music director/adjudicator, or a former high school performing arts participant whose contributions or achievements were extraordinary.

## **Criteria**

- a. All nominees must exemplify the highest standards of sportsmanship, ethical conduct and moral character.
- b. All nominees shall be considered on the merits of contributions and achievements to high school sports or performing arts; however, success in later life cannot be discounted entirely.
- c. All nominees shall have significant and/or long-term contributions to interscholastic athletics or performing arts. Longevity without significant accomplishments does not constitute appropriate credentials for Hall of Fame consideration.
- d. All nominees shall:
  - Have extended service in high school sports and activities.
  - Be viewed as an innovative leader throughout the state.
  - Have statewide accomplishments beyond “simply doing the job.”
  - Have impacted high school sports and activity programs statewide.
  - Demonstrate leadership in professional organizations.
- e. Service to IHSAA should include the following, for example:
  - Member of IHSAA rules committees.
  - Member of other IHSAA committees.
  - Member/president of IHSAA Board of Directors.
  - Speaker at IHSAA conferences, meetings.
- f. Involvement with IHSAA exceeded normal service opportunities, for example:
  - Statewide impact on colleagues.
  - Viewed as leader among peers.
- g. Impact on high school activities beyond IHSAA service, for example:
  - IAAA speaking engagements.
  - Expert in certain field; i.e., technology, Title IX, etc.
  - Accomplishments received statewide attention.

Nominees must have served in that capacity for at least twenty-five years, with at least 20 of those being in Idaho. Athlete nominees must have been graduated from high school for at least twenty-five years. Nominees shall be retired. Current IHSAA Board members are not eligible for Hall of Fame awards, nor shall they nominate individuals for Hall of Fame awards.

### **III. Selection**

- a. Nominations will be solicited from district Boards of Control and member schools in September. They will also be accepted from other sources within the educational community. Nominations will remain active for a three-year period after which time they may be renewed. Nominations are due by November 30. Applications will be sent to all nominees and must be returned to the IHSAA office by January 7 to be considered for the current year.
- b. A screening committee from the IHSAA Board of Directors will select finalists to present to the Board of Directors at the January meeting.
- c. Anonymous selectors from across the state will independently review and rate the finalists.
- d. Final selection of Hall of Fame inductees will be made at the April IHSAA board meeting.

### **IV. Applications**

- a. Applications must be typewritten and shall not exceed four pages.
- b. Applications may also include up to three letters recommendations or three pages of supporting documentation, or combination of letters/supporting materials.
- c. A recent portrait-style photograph should accompany the application.
- d. Applications received after the due date will be held until the following year.