

Hamilton Township Athletic Hall Of Fame

Why an Athletic Hall of Fame?

The Athletic Hall of Fame recognizes and honors those individuals who by their athletic endeavors, coaching excellence, or service have commanded respect and admiration for themselves and Hamilton Township High School.

When examining our past athletic traditions, we realized that athletes, coaches, and others have represented this school in such a positive manner that it is appropriate that this recognition be given.

The committee members, having been in athletics for most of our lives, believe that athletics have a tremendous importance to young people, especially in today's society. If we expect our youngsters to be motivated to achieve, then we must show them that there are positive rewards for positive activities.

By establishing this Hall of Fame, past athletes, coaches, and others will be honored for their dedication and accomplishments while future athletes will seek to carry on the tradition of athletic excellence of Hamilton Township High School.

The committee also feels that this Hall of Fame has a positive impact on the community. We believe that interest will be generated with respect to having certain individuals honored for their achievements.

What is the Athletic Hall of Fame?

The HTHS Athletic Hall of Fame is a tribute to the outstanding athletes, coaches, and others who through their achievements or service have brought honor to themselves, their school, and community.

Purpose

- To recognize those who have brought honor to this school and community
- To establish role models for our youth
- To establish something that can motivate youngsters to excel in school and athletics
- To foster pride, sportsmanship, scholarship, and citizenship in our school and community

Selection Committee

The committee will consist of no less than 8 people; no more than 12 and $\frac{3}{4}$ must be alumni. Anyone interested should contact the athletic department for possible consideration.

Criteria to be considered for induction

A major athletic achievement, both in school and after graduation, along with school and community citizenship is a major factor to be evaluated when determining candidate's qualifications. The minimum requirements are as follows:

- Athletes must have at least two varsity letters at HTHS, or a single exceptional season.
- Athletes must be out of school for seven years
- Athletic Directors and Coaches with service to HTHS may be considered after being seven years removed from their positions. Any Coach or Athletic Director may be considered after ten years of service.
- Each class will have a maximum of **three** inductees.
- Each nomination will remain active for five years. After five years, candidates need to be re-nominated.
- The induction ceremony will take place at pre-game of the game to be determined by the Athletic Department.

- Nominees who do not meet the above requirements can be voted into the hall of fame as an exception. Nominees must have 75% of the votes and there will be a maximum of one exception per year.

Selection Process

Nominations for the Athletic Hall of Fame shall be in writing on the official nomination form. These nomination forms will be available from the athletic department office, Hamilton Township High School office, and various other locations in the community.

Nominations may be originated by any person in the community, school alumni, or by any school employee.

Once nominated, nominees will be asked to fill out and return a biographical sketch of their accomplishments in school and out of school. Upon returning this information, the nominee will be accepting his or her nomination and may then be considered for selection.

Nominees who do not meet the above requirements can be voted into the Hall of Fame as an exception. They must have 75% of the votes. There will be only one exception per year.

Each year the selection committee will review all nominees and select the finalists with a maximum of five. The selection committee will vote for up to five nominees per year. From this top five, committee will vote for **up to three and up to three will be inducted.**

In the case of a tie, a new vote shall be taken so a candidate can advance to the second round of the selection process. If the vote ends in a tie again, all candidates in the tie shall advance.

Nominees who are not selected will remain active for five years. After five years, candidates need to be re-nominated.

Nominations shall be received prior to May 1st of each year with selections finalized by June 1st of each year. Nominations should be mailed directly to the Athletic Department c/o Hall of Fame 1105 Rathmell Road Columbus, Ohio 43207.

An appropriate award shall be given to each inductee, or their representative and an award displayed in the Athletic Hall of Fame area in the High School for each inductee.

The formal induction ceremony will take place at pre-game of the game to be determined by the Athletic Department. The induction ceremonies will be established by the Athletic Hall of Fame committee and shall be given proper respect, ceremony, and dignity.

Removal Clause

By a majority vote of The Athletic Hall of Fame committee members, a Hall of Fame member may be removed from the Hall of Fame should circumstances warrant. Hall of Fame members must always serve as a role model to the student body.

These bylaws supersede all prior bylaws governing the Hamilton Township Athletic Hall of Fame and become effective May 25, 2022.

_____ *Gail Bailey* _____
Gail Bailey-Alumni

Duane Crabtree-Alumni

Charles Hughes
Charles Hughes-Alumni

Kim Schutte
Kim Schutte-Alumni

Tom Motika
Tom Motika-Alumni

Jon Morris
Jon Morris- Alumni

Mark Tyler
Mark Tyler-HT Superintendent

Joe Jankowski
Joe Jankowski-Alumni

Jeff Sewell
Jeff Sewell-Alumni

John Gorczyca
John Gorczyca-Alumni

Carla Shaw
Carla Shaw – Alumni