

MIDLAND PARK HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME GUIDELINES

ARTICLE I

The name of this organization shall be the Midland Park High School Athletic Hall of Fame, a program under the jurisdiction of the Athletic Department and Athletic Boosters Association of Midland Park High School.

ARTICLE II

The Hall of Fame has been organized as a way of maintaining the rich heritage and traditions of successful athletic programs at Midland Park High School. In addition it will serve as a means of recognizing, preserving and honoring the athletes, coaches and individuals who have made significant contributions to the athletic programs at Midland Park High School. The Hall of Fame acknowledges the contributions and accomplishments of the individuals who are worthy of recognition and examples for other to emulate.

ARTICLE III

The Hall of Fame Voting Board Selection Committee shall consist of no more than 7 members. The Voting Board Selection Committee may include: the High School Principal, the Athletic Director, a retired coach and or current coaches, an alumni athlete(s) and a representative of the local media. Former athletes on the committee shall be 10 years removed from Midland Park High School and former coaches shall have 5 years coaching experience. The Voting Board Selection Committee will be reviewed on an annual basis. Consensus would be needed for all decisions regarding policy and procedure changes. If a consensus cannot be reached then a vote would be taken that would require a majority vote. A quorum shall be present in order for any business to be transacted. A quorum shall be 80% of the committee.

ARTICLE IV; CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

Individuals and teams may be nominated from three categories. The nominee, if an alumnus must be five years removed from Midland Park High School.

1. **ATHLETE:** Any person or team who distinguished himself/herself in the field of athletics while a student- athlete at Midland Park High School.
2. **COACH:** Any coach with at least 5 years coaching experience. The nominee must be inactive and removed from the coaching staff for 5 years. (Unless nominated as a team member) Criteria for consideration should be based on accomplishments that merit league wide recognition or significant contributions to the athletic programs at Midland Park High School.
3. **CONTRIBUTOR:** An individual who has made outstanding contributions to the interscholastic athletic programs at Midland Park High School other than coaching and playing.

ARTICLE V; SIZE OF INDUCTION CLASS

A class of inductees shall not number more than ten per year. (Except for the inaugural year) However, there will be no minimum number of annual inductees.

ARTICLE VI; REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES FOR NOMINATION

In order to maintain the integrity of the Hall of Fame the following criteria has been established for nominations. Nominees must exemplify the highest standards of sportsmanship, ethical conduct and character. All candidates will be judged on their significant and or long-term contributions to Midland Park High School athletics.

Nomination Procedures:

A. Inductees may be nominated by;

1. The Voting Board Selection Committee
2. Current or former faculty, administration or staff
3. An alumnus
4. Parent of an alumnus
5. Community Member

B. Nomination Form:

1. All entries must be submitted on the Midland Park High School Hall of Fame nomination form. Nominations forms must be filled out accurately and completely for consideration.
2. Forms shall be available through the Athletic Office or online at the district web site (www.midlandparkschools.k12.nj.us)
3. The nomination form shall be completed and submitted to the Athletic Director by July 1st for the candidate to be considered for induction in the following school year. All nominations received must contain active and current address and contact information for the nominee (or family if deceased)
4. In addition to the official nomination form, the following materials should be submitted for an individual or teams consideration:
 - a. A letter of recommendation (other than those nominated by the Voting Board) from the person making the nomination and other letters of support from appropriate individuals who can validate or substantiate information related to the high school career or contributions of the nominee.
 - b. Other supporting materials, newspaper articles, certificates, historical records, letters, film footage, etc.

C. Term of Nomination

- a. Following the initial nomination, a candidate shall remain eligible for induction for the following five years. The Athletic Director will keep the nomination forms and information on file. After five years a person may be re-nominated.

ARTICLE VII: PROCEDURES FOR SELECTING THE INDUCTION CLASS

A. The Voting Board Selection Committee

The Midland Park High School Hall of Fame Voting Board Selection Committee will meet no less than annually to select candidates based on the criteria. The Committee will select a chair to serve a one-year term. The duties and responsibilities of the Hall of Fame Voting Board Selection Committee shall be as follows:

1. Attend the regular scheduled selection meetings
2. Annually evaluate the nominations of individuals and teams submitted who fulfill the requirements for consideration
3. Approve only those individuals who had significant and or long-term contributions to athletic accomplishments at Midland Park High School.
4. Evaluate and update the policies and operational procedures of the Midland Park High School Athletic Hall of Fame on an annual basis.
5. Keep all action of the Selection Committee confidential.

B. The voting procedures of the Hall of Fame Selection Committee shall be as follows:

1. The Committee shall review candidates based on information available at the time of the annual meeting.
2. After open discussion about candidates, a vote will be conducted for the purpose of choosing inductees.
3. Each committee member shall rank candidates in order of desired induction preference with their top choice receiving the higher number.
4. Inductees will be announced at a pre-determined time following the final selection process and after the individuals have been contacted.

ARTICLE VIII: INDUCTION CEREMONY

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