

Biddeford Athletic Department

“Biddeford Athletics Hall of Honor”

Mission

The Biddeford School Athletic Department will establish the Biddeford Athletic Hall of Honor” as an avenue to pay tribute and honor outstanding Student Athletes, Coaches, and Contributor for their achievements and/or contributions to Biddeford Athletics.

Selection Committee

This committee will be responsible for choosing from those individuals who have been recommended through an application process, the persons who will be inducted into the Hall of Honor in any given year. They will use the criteria set forth by the Hall of Honors Committee to make this determination. The Hall of Honor Selection Committee will consist of: the Chairperson of the Hall of Honor Committee, the current Athletic Director, a Board of Education representative, a representative from Administration, at the discretion of the Athletic Director. Additional members may include other Athletic Booster Club representatives, past coaches, past Athletic Directors and/or past Administrators. It is recommended the committee consist of at least 7 members but may grow to 11 if deemed necessary. The Athletic Director will act as Chairperson for the Hall of Honors Selection Committee. Candidates must receive a 2/3 vote of all members present at the selection committee meeting in order to be inducted into the “Biddeford Athletics Hall of Honor.” All failed selection bids will automatically be considered the following year (up to 5 consecutive years). Nomination forms are to remain confidential, to be shared among the selection committee only.

Subcommittees

Members of the committee may serve on multiple subcommittees - additional individuals not on the Hall of Honor committee may serve on subcommittees with the approval of the Athletic Director and chairperson.

- Induction Dinner / Installation Ceremony Committee: responsibilities include setting up both the induction dinner and the installation ceremony at a home game during the year.
- Invitation Committee: creation and distribution of invitations to inductees and senior athletes.
- Awards Committee: purchase and creation of awards for seniors and inductees.
- Sponsor / Fundraising Committee: distribute letters to potential sponsors.

Selection Criteria

Coach: Candidates must have been a coach for any Biddeford Athletic program and be retired before they will be considered for entrance into the Hall of Honor. The committee will consider the coaches overall records, Championships, and the number of years of service to athletic programs within the City of Biddeford. The committee may also consider any other contributions the coach has made to help develop and foster athletics in Biddeford.

Contributor: Candidates will be considered for entrance in to the Hall of Honor as a contributor if the individual has, "Helped to develop and foster growth of athletics in Biddeford Schools and/or the Biddeford Community." This individual may have made contributions by serving on committees, boards, or as a volunteer both within Biddeford and beyond. Any Biddeford coach, athlete, or community member whose efforts have had a significant impact on the athletic community may be considered for entrance to the Hall of Honor as a contributor.

Athlete: Candidates for selection to the Hall of Honor as an athlete will not be considered until the student has been out of high school for at least 5 years. At a minimum the student must have been a varsity athlete in his or her sport or sports. The committee will consider: awards/league recognition, records established, championships, and individual statistics. The committee will also consider the athlete's college career including recognition for achievements and wards obtained there. Professional achievements in athletics may also be considered when determining Hall of Honor status. *(this may include coaching as well as professional athletes)* **It is also important the committee consider the athlete's overall contribution to his or her sport both during High School and beyond and to weigh carefully both High School achievements and overall achievements as a measure of overall success in one's sport.**

Induction

Each year during the application process the selection committee will determine the induction class for the year. A range of 6-12 individuals will enshrined during any given year.

Nominations

Nomination applications can be obtained by visiting the Biddeford School Department website at biddefordschooldepartment.org or contacting the Superintendent's Office at 282-8280. Nominations for the initial Hall of Honor induction class must be received or post marked by November 1, 2013.

Announcement

Official announcement will be made in late November/early December.