

# Constitution

## Wenatchee High School Panther Hall of Fame

### ARTICLE I: Preamble

The Wenatchee High School Hall of Fame identifies the outstanding athletes and individuals who through their athletic achievements have brought honor to themselves, their school and their community.

### ARTICLE II: Purpose

The purposes for establishing and maintaining the Hall of Fame under its Constitution and By-Laws are as follows:

1. To recognize and honor the outstanding athletes and individuals who have brought fame to Wenatchee High School.
2. To offer positive role models who exemplify the value of athletics and encourage participation.
3. To preserve the rich athletic tradition of Wenatchee High School.
4. To recognize that athletics encourages good scholarship, good citizenship and the values that are necessary for success in life.

### ARTICLE III: Qualifications of Hall of Fame Candidates

1. General Requirements – All Categories.
  - a. To be considered, athletes must have a completed nomination form and/or supporting information on file with the Wenatchee High School athletic director.
  - b. New Nominees must have an Application Submitted by September 15<sup>th</sup> of the current year.
  - c. Nominees that do not make a final ballot for any of the three categories for five consecutive years will have their name removed from the nominee list and their file will be come inactive until they are re-nominated with additional information.

#### Current Athlete Candidate Requirements

- a. Must be a Graduate of Wenatchee High School.
- b. Candidates will not be considered for induction into the Hall of Fame until five years after their date of graduation.

#### Coach/Administrator Requirements

- a. Candidates will not be considered for induction into the Hall of Fame until they have retired from the Wenatchee School District after their responsibility as a coach or administrator has been completed.

#### Vintage 40-year Category

- a. Graduate of Wenatchee High School.
- b. To be considered under this category an athlete must have graduated at least 40 years prior to the year of induction.

2. Required Athletic Accomplishments in sports offered by Wenatchee High School. Athletes must have at least achieved a minimum of one of the following criteria:
  - a. First Team All-Conference in a team sport
  - b. First or Second Team All-State in a team sport

- c. Finish in the top three at state in an individual sport
  - d. Region or district champion in an individual sport
  - e. Additional exceptional accomplishments in a school sport may be noted to enhance consideration but are not included as a minimum requirement:
    - 1. Doc Conway Panther Best Athlete of the Year awards
    - 2. Most Valuable Player awards
    - 3. Team Captain awards
    - 4. Most Inspirational awards
    - 5. Other awards including all-American honors, NCW Sports Awards recipient or finalist, all-NCW team berths, etc.
    - 6. Set state, district, conference or school record
    - 7. High level of achievement in multiple sports
    - 8. Statistics of note
    - 9. Collegiate athletic accomplishments
    - 10. Outstanding scholarship
3. Required Coaches and/or Administrators Accomplishments  
Must meet a minimum of one of the following criteria:
- a. Eight seasons in one or more sports as a head coach at Wenatchee High School
  - b. Exceptional accomplishment as a coach or administrator
    - 1. Superior winning record as a coach
    - 2. State, district or conference honors or championships as a coach
    - 3. State, district or conference honors as an administrator

#### ARTICLE IV: Continuing Code of Ethics

The Hall of Fame Board of Directors reserves the right to remove any Hall of Fame member who falls out of favor with Wenatchee High School or the community, in regard to the laws, regulations, and policies governing our community, state or nation.

The Hall of Fame Board of Directors reserves the right to remove any Hall of Fame member unbecoming of a community member or alumnus, with regard to their social behavior and conduct.

The Hall of Fame Board of Directors reserves the right to remove any Hall of Fame member who causes embarrassment to Wenatchee Public Schools and Wenatchee High School.

It shall require a majority vote of the then-current Hall of Fame Board of Directors to remove a member of the Athletic Hall of Fame from membership activity.

#### ARTICLE V: Induction of Candidates

- 1. Candidates will be eligible for induction in three categories: Current Athletes, Coaches and Vintage Athletes.

- a. A vote will be enacted from among those present at the initial meeting each year to reduce a preliminary finalist list for each category to a final ballot for each category. The preliminary list and final ballot for each category will be as follows: Current Athletes – a preliminary list of up to 9 candidates and a final ballot of 6 candidates; Coaches – a preliminary list of up to 3 candidates and a final ballot of 2 candidates; Vintage Athletes - a preliminary list of up to 3 candidates and a final ballot of 2 candidates.
  - b. A secret ballot will be conducted to rank people in each category to come up with a final ballot. In the **current athlete category** each member will rank their top 6 choices with a ranking system of 6 through 1 (6 points for their #1 pick down to 1 point for their #6 pick) with the group's highest point receivers advancing to the final ballot. In the **coach and vintage category**, each member will rank their top 2 choices with a ranking system of 2 through 1 (2 points for their #1 pick down to 1 point for their #2 pick) with the group's highest point receivers advancing to the final ballot. Ties for the last spot in each category will be broken by the highest total of ballots on which the candidate received votes. If results are unchanged after the tiebreaker, then those tied would all be eliminated from the final ballot, thereby reducing the total on the final ballot to be less than 6, 2 or 2.
2. To be inducted into the Hall of Fame, candidates from all three categories must receive at least eight votes on the final ballot. Board members may vote for up to three candidates in the current athlete category, one candidate in the coaching category and one candidate in the vintage athlete categories **but may elect to vote for fewer**. A minimum of 11 board members must vote, with 10 or fewer voters nullifying the selection for that year.

The unelected candidates from each category's final ballot will automatically be included on the preliminary ballot for each category for the following year provided they receive at least one vote on the final ballot.

#### ARTICLE VI: Amendment Procedures

This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds majority vote of the ballots returned by Hall of Fame Board of Directors, providing that the amendment has been proposed by a simple majority of those present at the previous meeting.

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