

Fitchburg High School Athletic Hall of Fame By-Laws: Updated  
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Article I. -----Purpose

The purpose of the Hall of Fame is to recognize outstanding individuals and teams who have made a significant contribution in the field of athletics as a participant, coach, benefactor or contributor at Fitchburg High School.

Article II. -----Eligibility

1. Athletes who have attended Fitchburg High School and have demonstrated outstanding athletic prowess in varsity sports. The individual will be chosen on the basis of playing ability, integrity, sportsmanship, character and his/her contribution to the team or teams on which the person played.
2. Coaches who have shown a high degree of competency, leadership and success. Candidates must have contributed toward promoting sound educational values in the athletes.
3. Benefactors and Contributor awards will be given for outstanding contribution to the athletic program.
4. A Special Team award may be presented annually.

Article III. -----Qualifications

1. Selection will be based primarily on an individual's athletic accomplishments at Fitchburg High School. However the nominee's activities and accomplishments after high school will be considered.
2. To qualify, a participant must have attended Fitchburg High School for two years and have been out of Fitchburg High School for a

period of ten years. Exception to the above can only be made with an 80% vote of the Committee.

3. To qualify, coaches must have a minimum of ten years as Head Coach at Fitchburg High School in the sport for which they will be designated. Coaches do not have to be retired to enter the Hall

#### Article IV. -----Hall of Fame Committee/ Selection Committee

1. The committee will be made up of a maximum of 20 members. The Superintendent of Schools and Principal will also be ex-officio members who are non- voting members. Meetings of the Hall of Fame Committee shall be held at the call of the Chairperson.
2. The Chairperson of the Committee will be elected yearly at the first meeting.
3. A recording secretary will be appointed by the Chairperson at the annual meeting to maintain records, record and distribute minutes of meetings and other information involving the Fitchburg High School Hall of Fame.
4. Any Hall of Fame Committee member who is absent from three or more consecutive meetings unless excused may be removed from the committee.

#### Article V. -----Annual Limitation

1. After the first year no more than ten living individual candidates may be selected each year. No more than one team may be selected each year. Any number of deceased individual candidates may be admitted each year.

## Article VI. -----Selection Committee

1. Outside nominations may be submitted to the Committee. Nomination forms will be advertised in the local media and available at the induction ceremony.
2. The nomination form of each candidate will be submitted to the Committee. The Committee will then screen the nominees. Procedures for screening will be determined by the Committee.
3. Election of Members: In order to be elected to the Hall of Fame one must receive 80% of the votes of Committee members present at the time of voting. Voting will be by secret ballot.
4. The Hall of Fame Committee shall take into consideration different eras or time periods in appointing members to the Hall of Fame Committee and in selecting candidates to the Hall.

## Article VII. -----Annual Banquet

1. The Athletic Director will schedule the time of the Banquet.

## Article VIII. Amendments

1. The By-Laws of the Fitchburg High School Athletic Hall of Fame may be amended by a simple majority vote of the Committee. There must be at least two thirds of the members of the Committee at such a meeting.