

## **Spring Grove Area High School Athletic Hall of Fame**

### Purpose

The Athletic Hall of Fame was created in 2014 to honor the very best in the history of Rocket Athletics, in order to preserve the heritage and tradition of athletic excellence at Spring Grove Area High School.

This special honor will recognize members of the Spring Grove family who have distinguished themselves as outstanding contributors to athletics at Spring Grove Area High School and possibly beyond.

### Criteria

The Spring Grove Area High School Hall of Fame will serve to honor student athletes, coaches, and administrators, as well as longtime and distinctive supporters of the Athletic Department.

### Student-Athlete:

- Nominees must have attended Spring Grove Area High School.
- The candidate must have an outstanding past record in athletics while a student athlete at Spring Grove High School or predecessor institution.
- Must have exhibited sportsmanship, character, and good citizenship on and off the field of play during high school years as well as after graduation.
- The candidate shall be eligible to be nominated no earlier than ten (10) years after their graduation.
- The potential candidate could be denied admission as a result of past violations of the law.
- Fame. If any Selections Committee member's relative is nominated, the committee member will abstain from voting.

### Coach/Administrator: (Deceased or Living)

- Nominee must have coached or been a staff member for at least seven (7) years at Spring Grove Area School District.
- The nominee shall have demonstrated an ability to enhance the athletic experience of the student-athlete, while serving as a positive role model through exemplary leadership and character.
- Coaches/Administrators may be a district employee at the time of nomination.

### Friends of Athletics:

- A nominee need not be a graduate or former employee of Spring Grove Area High School.
- Strong consideration will be given to those nominees who have enhanced the experience of the student-athletes at Spring Grove Area High School through their support. The candidate shall have volunteered their time and/or resources for a minimum of five (5) years.

### Team:

- Nominees must be successful teams who have advanced as high as they were capable during their particular era and have achieved success in Counties, Districts, and States for a given season.
- Teams must have had a varsity status during the season for which they are being nominated.
- Teams will be considered after a minimum of ten (10) years has elapsed from the last date of play for their nomination season.

Selection Committee: The Committee has the authority to review Hall of Fame Members for immoral acts and violations of the law.

A. The Athletic Hall of Fame Committee will consist of ten (10) members.

The members will consist of the following:

1. Current Principal of Spring Grove Area High School or their appointed representative.
2. Current Athletic Director of Spring Grove Area High School or their appointed representative.
3. Current Board member of School Directors (alternates each year)
4. (4 & 5) Current members of the Athletic Hall of Fame
5. (6, 7, 8, 9, & 10) At large community representatives who are appointed by majority selection from the set committee.(Consideration should be taken in regards to different ages and years of the community representatives to better demonstrate equity in the nomination and selection of Hall of Fame Teams, Coaches/Administrators and Student Athletes.

B. All committee members (10) have full voting privileges concerning committee action.

C. The committee shall elect within itself the following officers on an annual basis: Chairman, Vice-Chairman, and Secretary.

D. Terms of membership to the committee shall be staggered. The original selection process will fill vacancies or unexpired terms. The exception to this rule is that the officers' positions will be renewed annually.

E. The official year of the committee will be February 1<sup>st</sup> to January 31<sup>st</sup>.

F. Committee members and officers can be re-appointed or re-elected after a two (2) year absence.

G. For the Athletic Hall of Fame Committee to conduct official business, a quorum of eight (6) members is necessary. To

change the by-laws, eight (6) of the thirteen (10) votes would be needed.

- H. The purpose of the committee is to find nominees for the Athletic Hall of Fame and select inductees into the Athletic Hall of Fame. This committee shall also review the criteria on an annual basis to see if additions or corrections should be made.

#### Selection Process:

- A. Community members, alumni, current and former staff members will submit completed nomination forms to the Spring Grove Area High School Athletic Director by the published deadline. All nominations must be submitted on official Spring Grove Area High School Athletic Hall of Fame nomination forms.
- B. The Athletic Director will retain all original nominations forms and provide one copy of all submitted forms to the Selection Committee chairperson.
- C. The number of people inducted will be unlimited the first year, five (5) the second and third years and a maximum of five (5) Athletes, one (1) Coach, and one (1) Team inductees a year after the first three years.
- D. Candidates shall be selected by a majority vote.
- E. Any nominees not voted for induction into the Hall of Fame during the year of his/her nomination will remain in consideration for a period of 4 years.
- F. The following timeline will be established.
- March – Committee Meeting (make any necessary changes/adjustments to timeline, by-laws, etc...)
  - April/May – Advertise nomination process and timeline
  - June – September – Receive nominations
  - October – Committee meeting to review applications and divide for research
  - November – Committee meeting to finalize inductee list

- December – Contact new inductees and plan for banquet
- January – Receive RSVP's for banquet
- February – Banquet

A banquet style dinner will be conducted in the school cafeteria or designated banquet hall.

Each inductee will receive a small token of their induction. A plaque with their name, and accomplishments will be on display in the upstairs entry way to the Spring Grove Area High School Gymnasium.