## HALL OF FAME BYLAWS ARCADIA ATHLETIC BOOSTERS

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### General Information

The Arcadia Hall of Fame is an Athletic Booster club project incepted during 1981 and finalized and initiated in January 1984. The purpose of this project is to honor past athletes, teams, and other exceptional individuals of the Arcadia School system in a positive manner. These athletes achieved exceptional honor through state recognition or other exceptional honors/achievements.

#### **Committee Selection and Duties**

The business aspect (selection, nominations, presentations, etc.) is to be handled on an as needed basis by a committee selected by the president of the Booster organization. The committee shall be comprised of one representative of the Athletic Booster leadership (President, Vice President, Treasurer, or Secretary), Athletic Director of Arcadia, one head coach of a girls' high school sport, one head coach of a boys' high school sport, and one representative from the community. The community member shall be a resident of the Arcadia school district. Each head coach will have the opportunity to bid for a spot with Booster Leadership having the final decision on who will serve on the committee. Each committee member will serve for 3 years on the selection committee.

Hall of Fame Nomination Forms will be taken any time during the year but must be received by October 1<sup>st</sup> to be considered for the next calendar year induction ceremony. The committee will meet, review, and select the potential inductees by November 30<sup>th</sup>. The committee will then present the potential inductees at the December Athletic Booster meeting where a majority vote will take place to approve/deny potential inductees.

Nominations that are not selected by the Committee or that are denied by the Athletic Boosters will be kept on file. Reconsideration will be made two more consecutive times. After these two reconsiderations, the nomination will no longer be considered and removed from consideration.

It should be noted that, while the committee has researched as thoroughly as possible all perspective candidates, a name or individual might have been unintentionally omitted.

#### Hall of Fame Eligibility and Criteria (new section)

- 1. The Hall of Fame eligibility covers any athlete, team, and other individuals who have participated or been involved in the Arcadia Athletic program since the inception of Arcadia High School.
- 2. A five-year waiting period following graduation is required before consideration for induction into the Hall of Fame.

3. Outstanding athletes and/or teams may be nominated by their coaches at the end of their senior season. Coaches are required to fill out a nomination form at that time with statistics and a narrative as to why this athlete deserves consideration (this form is to be supplied by the Athletic Boosters). Copies of this completed form will be kept with the Athletic Director and Booster organization until the five-year waiting period has passed. These athletes are not ensured induction into the Hall of Fame, just consideration by the Hall of Fame committee. The Hall of Fame should be considered a very high honor and not easily achievable.

Nominations may also be made by non-coaches. The nominator is required to fill out a nomination form with statistics and a narrative as to why this person deserves consideration.

- 4. Each individual or team nominee will fall into one of the following categories:
  - a. Sport Specific Achievement(s)
  - b. Post-Scholastic Achievement(s)
  - c. Community Based Recognition
- 5. Hall of Fame criteria for each category are defined in Exhibit A. Criteria listed are for automatic eligibility into the Hall of Fame. Consideration will still be given to nominees who do not qualify for automatic eligibility.
- 6. It is understood that these criteria may be added to or changed, on an as needed basis, to cover any aspects not included in the above criteria through a majority vote of the Arcadia Athletic Boosters.

Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony (new section)

- 1. Suggested recognition and inducted for these athletes should generally take place at a Varsity Boys Basketball game in the month of January or February on an as needed basis.
- 2. Notification of induction of candidates is to be made public prior to the ceremony. Also, individuals and teams are to be notified by a personal letter or phone call. All publicity, advertisements and individual notifications are to be done in conjunction with the Athletic Department. Copies of all correspondence should be included in the Boosters files well as the Athletic Department.
- 3. All costs and purchases for the Hall of Fame are to be handled by Booster monies.
- 4. The awards for the Hall of Fame are to be permanently mounted in the hallway adjacent to the gym.

# Exhibit A: Hall of Fame Categories and Criteria Guidelines

The following criteria listed is for automatic eligibility into Arcadia Hall of Fall. Consideration will still be given to nominees who do not meet automatic eligibility requirements.

Category 1: Individual and/or Team Sport Specific Achievement(s)

- Football
  - Any undefeated varsity team during regular season of play
  - Any OHSAA Regional Final or State Championship team in tournament play
  - Any varsity athlete who has been named to an All-Ohio Team (1<sup>st</sup> Team, 2<sup>nd</sup> Team, 3<sup>rd</sup> Team, and Honorable Mention)
- Volleyball
  - Any undefeated varsity team during regular season of play
  - Any OHSAA Regional Final or State Championship team in tournament play
  - Any varsity athlete who has been named to an All-Ohio Team (1<sup>st</sup> Team, 2<sup>nd</sup> Team, 3<sup>rd</sup> Team, Honorable Mention, and Special Mention)
- Golf
  - Any undefeated varsity team during regular season of play
  - Any OHSAA District Final or State Championship team in tournament play
  - Any varsity athlete who qualifies for the OHSAA tournament
  - Any varsity athlete that finishes in the top 8 places in an OHSAA State Individual competition
- Basketball
  - Any undefeated varsity team during regular season of play
  - o Any OHSAA Regional Final or State Championship team in tournament play
  - Any varsity athlete who has been named to an All-Ohio Team (1<sup>st</sup> Team, 2<sup>nd</sup> Team, 3<sup>rd</sup> Team, Honorable Mention, and Special Mention)
  - Any varsity athlete who has reached at least one of the following career statistics:
    - 1,000 Points
    - 1,000 Rebounds
    - 400 assists
    - 400 steals
- Wrestling
  - Any undefeated varsity team during regular season of play
  - Any OHSAA District Final or State Championship team in tournament play
  - Any varsity athlete that finishes in the top 8 places in an OHSAA State Individual competition
  - o Any varsity athlete who accumulated 140-150 career wins
  - $\circ$  Any varsity athlete who had a 90% win percentage with 100 or more career wins

- Baseball
  - Any undefeated varsity team during regular season of play
  - Any OHSAA Regional Final or State Championship team in tournament play
  - Any varsity athlete who has been named to an All-Ohio Team (1<sup>st</sup> Team, 2<sup>nd</sup> Team, and Honorable Mention)
- Softball
  - Any undefeated varsity team during regular season of play
  - Any OHSAA Regional Final or State Championship team in tournament play
  - (1<sup>st</sup> Team, 2<sup>nd</sup> Team, and Honorable Mention)
- Track and Field
  - Any undefeated varsity team during regular season of play
  - Any OHSAA Regional Final or State Championship team in tournament play
  - Any varsity athlete that finishes in the top 8 places in an OHSAA State Individual competition

Category 2: Post-Scholastic Achievement(s)

- Drafted and/or played at the professional sport level. The selection committee will determine qualifications for automatic eligibility based on the individual's professional career achievements.
- Cached at the professional sport level. The selection committee will determine qualifications for automatic eligibility based on the individual's professional coaching-career achievements.

Category 3: Community Based Recognition

- Coaches
  - Will be recognized for achievements, records, and service to Arcadia Athletics
  - Accomplishments must have merited league/and or statewide recognition as well as have made significant contributions to the athletic program.
  - Coaching ability, loyalty, leadership, character, athletic expertise, significant contributions to their teams and to the sport they coach must have been demonstrated.
- Contributors (Announcers, Clock Operators, Supporters, Administrators Etc)
  - Outstanding contributors shall be recognized for their generous and unwavering support for Arcadia Athletics, and it should be shown that their contributions have in some way improved or enhanced the programs. They must demonstrate they have given freely of their time, talents, energy, hard work, finances, and expecting nothing in return.