



Oak Grove High School Athletics Wall of Fame

Mission Statement:

The Oak Grove High School Wall of Fame intends to honor and preserve the legacy of those who have made significant contributions to the athletic programs, either through their participation in athletics or their association with Oak Grove as a coach, faculty member, or person of meritorious service.

Categories of Eligibility:

Athletic Eligibility - To be eligible as an athlete, the candidate must have graduated from Oak Grove High School and must have been part of a class that graduated at least 10 years prior to nomination. Candidates will be nominated on the basis of outstanding play, integrity, sportsmanship, and character.

Coaches Eligibility - To be eligible as a coach, the candidate must have been associated with Oak Grove athletics for a minimum of 5 years and must be separated from athletic service for a minimum of 1 year. Candidates will be nominated on the basis of outstanding performance, integrity, sportsmanship, and character.

Team Eligibility - To be an eligible Oak Grove High School team, the nominated team must have attained record status or state recognition and been out of school 10 years.

Meritorious Service Eligibility - To be eligible as a meritorious service member nominee, the candidate must have been associated with Oak Grove athletics for a minimum of 5 years. Candidates will be nominated on the basis of their contribution to or support of the athletic programs in the Oak Grove schools.

Qualifications for the Wall of Fame:

A person can qualify for the Wall of Fame by falling into one of the following categories:

- 1) An athlete must have graduated from Oak Grove High School and been out of school for more than 10 years.
- 2) An athlete must have participated in Oak Grove High School athletics and must have earned a letter in a particular sport or sports for at least two years. Additionally, he/she must have received All Conference, District, Sectional, or State honors.
- 3) A coach must have been associated with Oak Grove athletics for a minimum of 5 years and must be separated from athletic service for a minimum of 1 year.
- 4) A meritorious service individual must have contributed to or must have served as a loyal friend to the athletic program.
- 5) An Oak Grove High School team must have attained record status or state recognition and been out of school 10 years.

Nominations:

- 1) Nominations may be submitted by members of the Wall of Fame Committee, members of the community, and the general public.
- 2) Nominations will be accepted by completing a Wall of Fame nomination form.
- 3) After an individual has been nominated, his/her file will remain active for 5 years, and he/she will continue to be considered for induction during that time.
- 4) Nominations must be received by the date specified below to be considered for the current induction.

September	Wall of Fame Committee meeting
October – February	Nominations accepted
March	Committee meeting to review and vote on inductees
April	Contact and send informational packets to inductees
May – June	Inductees' packets returned
July	Press release on inductees' ceremony details
August – October	Ticket sales and final Induction Ceremony details
November	Induction Ceremony

SELECTION PROCESS AND RECOGNITION

Names for nomination can be submitted to the committee at nomination period by anyone or by the committee members themselves during the nomination period.

To become a member of the Wall of Fame, the person must be nominated and seconded by someone on the committee. If a person is on the ballot and has not been selected during a five-year period, he/she will be removed from the list. That person may be re-nominated in the future. To be selected to the wall, the nominee must receive a minimum of two-thirds of the votes of those present. The committee will vote by secret ballot.

No more than three candidates in each category of eligibility can be enrolled in any one year (unless on a team). However, no more than nine in any year can be inducted into the Wall of Fame. OGHS will not necessarily award inductees each year.

The Oak Grove High School Wall of Fame committee will present the inductee with an appropriate award and will also recognize him/her during the Formal Induction Ceremony.

The Oak Grove High School Wall of Fame Committee will select the awards presented and will bear the expense of recognition for inductees.

Election and Replacement

At the first meeting of the board, the membership shall, by the drawing of lots, divide the board membership into 3 classes.

The membership of the first class (A) shall be vacated at the end of the second year of their service; the term of the second class (B) of members shall be vacated at the end of their third year; and the term of the third class (C) shall end at the end of the fifth year.

If a vacancy on the board should be caused by resignation or other factors, the remaining members shall appoint a person to serve out that member's term. After the first election of the second class (B), all members shall serve their full five-year term.

The Principal and Activities Director are members of the board due to their position and not by the person. Additionally, these positions are permanent and will not participate in the drawing of lots.

Classes A and B will consist of two members, while Class C will consist of three members.

OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE WALL OF FAME COMMITTEE

A. The Wall of Fame Committee will consist of nine (9) members. The members will consist of the following:

- 1. Current Oak Grove High School Principal or his/her appointed representative
- 2. Current Oak Grove High School Athletic Director or his/her appointed representative
- 3 & 4. Appointed from Oak Grove High School Athletic Booster Club by the current athletic director
- 5 & 6. Current Oak Grove High School coaching staff members (selected by the athletic director & principal)
- 7, 8, & 9. At-large community representatives (appointed by majority selection from the set committee members)

B. All committee members (9) have full voting privileges concerning committee action.

C. The committee shall elect within itself the following officers annually: Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Secretary (optional). A simple majority of those in attendance is necessary to elect an officer.

D. After the initial election and selection process, the terms of membership to the committee shall be five (5) years [Please refer to page 3 (Selection Process & Recognition)].

E. Committee members and officers can be re-appointed or re-elected after a one (1) year absence.

F. The official year for the committee will be September 1st to August 31st.

G. For the Wall of Fame Committee to conduct official business, a quorum of seven (7) members is necessary. To change the by-laws, five (5) of the seven (7) votes of the quorum would be needed.

H. The purpose of the committee is to find nominees for the Wall of Fame and select inductees into the Wall of Fame. This committee shall also review the constitution and by-laws annually to see if additions or corrections should be made.

I. Current members of the Wall of Fame Committee may not be considered for election to the Wall of Fame while serving on the Committee. One year after their termination of service, their names may be considered.