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# Gonzaga Athletic Hall of Fame Selection Committee and Process

The Gonzaga Athletic Hall of Fame pays tribute to Gonzaga's rich athletic legacy by recognizing outstanding contributions made by athletes, coaches, administrators and teams.

The Gonzaga College High School Athletic Hall of Fame Steering Committee adopts the following bylaws for the Selection Committee and Process:

#### I. Nominations

Each year, the Selection Committee will develop a form upon which nominations will be made. This form will be distributed widely to the Gonzaga Committee through various channels (Athletic and/or Alumni & Advancement communications, social media, publications, etc). The form will solicit qualifications of proposed inductees and any other information or instructions the Committee wishes to include. Nominations may be made by anyone. While the Committee will review and consider all nominations, the Committee shall have the discretion to narrow the field of nominees.

### II. Eligibility/Criteria

#### Student Athletes

Eligible 10 years after graduation from Gonzaga. Nominees must be a Gonzaga graduate (selection committee will have discretion in unique, special circumstance (e.g. death, or accident)

#### Criteria

Primary criteria include athletic ability, sportsmanship, Ignatian character, leadership/effort on and off the field, and contributions to the team(s) and the games he participated in. The Selection Committee may also consider other factors including recognition received while playing at Gonzaga (all Conference, Met, etc); individual or team championship(s), winning streak(s), or records / statistical leadership; post graduate activities, including collegiate and professional athletic experience.

#### Coaches

Any coach with a minimum of 5 years coaching experience at Gonzaga (the Selection Committee may make exceptions to years of experience in unique, special circumstances)

#### Criteria

Primary criteria include coaching ability, loyalty to Gonzaga and the sense of loyalty his/her athletes felt toward their coach, ability to secure maximum effort / achievement from the boys being coached, Ignatian character, contribution to the school through the teams and the sports they coached

#### **Administrators / Managers**

Any individual associated with improving Gonzaga athletics for any period of time. Can include volunteers -- not limited to staff, alumni or administration.

#### Criteria

Primary criteria include extraordinary devotion to Gonzaga athletics or individual Gonzaga sports/teams; tangible contributions made to those teams that enhanced the performance, spirit or experience of the boys involved. Exceptional leadership, great loyalty to Gonzaga and the passion for the success of Gonzaga athletics.

#### **Teams**

All the members (athletes, coaching staff and managers) associated with any team sport offered at Gonzaga. Can be at any level – Freshman, JV, Varsity or Club – but team eligibility begins 10 years after all members have graduated from Gonzaga.

#### Criteria

Teams which have attained legendary status, either for a combination of championships won, expectations exceeded, groundbreaking / memorable performances, or other reasons that exemplify excellence in team sports.

#### **III. Selection Committee Structure**

Name - Gonzaga College High School Athletic Hall of Fame Selection Committee

**Purpose** - Athletics foster the growth of young men in character, grit, resilience, teamwork, and confidence. Through participation in athletics, one learns basic human and Ignatian values in particularly powerful and lasting ways. As such, athletics are an essential component of the educational experience at Gonzaga. The purpose of the Gonzaga College High School Athletic Hall of Fame is to formally recognize and publicly honor:

- those who have distinguished themselves in athletic endeavors while at Gonzaga,
- those who have contributed significantly to the program's growth and spirit, and who continue to reflect a character informed with the basic human and Ignatian values of integrity, teamwork, self-discipline, perseverance, humility desire, heart, and being a Man for Others.

The Selection Committee will be responsible for the planning and staging the annual induction ceremony/dinner and developing the Hall of Fame display area in the Carmody Center for Athletic Excellence.

The Selection Committee shall consist of 15 members.

Standing members of the Selection Committee will include the following members:

- 1. Gonzaga's Director of Athletics;
- 2. Gonzaga's Director of Alumni Affairs;
- 3. Gonzaga Vice President of Alumni & Advancement;

- 4. A representative from the Gonzaga Alumni Association, Inc.
- 5. The Athletic Director shall appoint 2 at-large members.
- 6. The Steering Committee shall appoint the other 9 members and going forward the Selection Committee shall elect new members as terms expire.

The terms of Selection Committee members shall be staggered so that at a minimum 3 new members will rotate on each year as terms expire. Of the members initially appointed by the Selection Committee, three members shall have 2 year initial terms, three members shall have 3-year initial terms and three members shall have 4 year initial terms. Of the members initially appointed by the Athletic Director, one shall be elected for a 2 year term and one for a 3 year term. The Alumni Association Rep shall be appointed by the Alumni Association. Members elected to replace the initial members shall serve three year terms and their successors shall serve three year terms.

The Steering Committee, in its initial appointments, and the Selection Committee, in its subsequent appointments, shall make every effort to ensure that the members of the Committee represent the diversity reflected in Gonzaga Athletics – taking deliberate care to elect members from different eras / generations and with primary interests in different sports.

The Committee shall elect new members by vote of a majority of members voting and two-thirds of the members of the Committee is required as a quorum for any such vote.

The Selection Committee shall elect a Chairman, a Secretary, an Archivist and Induction Ceremony Planning Committee. The Chairman shall manage the Selection Committee's affairs and conduct its meetings. The Secretary shall be responsible for working with the Alumni and Advancement Office to solicit nominations. The Archivist shall be responsible for verifying information submitted with nominations and with preserving/promoting Gonzaga athletic records and history. The Induction Ceremony Planning Committee shall be charged with planning all aspects of the induction committee, including date, time, location, budget, speakers, etc, in coordination with the Office of Alumni and Advancement.

Each year, the Committee shall induct up to 5 members from any of the categories listed previously. The Committee shall vote on the nominees it determines suitable for consideration and a two-thirds vote of members present is required for induction with a quorum of two-thirds of the Committee required for a vote.

Upon a nominee's election, the Committee shall inform the President of Gonzaga of the selections. Upon the President's approval, the Committee may notify nominee of his election and verify his acceptance and determine whether he will participate in the induction ceremony.

The Bylaws may be amended upon a vote of two-thirds of the members of the Committee.

The Selection Committee shall operate under the auspices of the Office of Alumni & Advancement.