

NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL SPIRIT OF SPORT AWARD

Official Nomination Form



National Federation of State High School Associations
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INSTRUCTIONS

The NFHS has developed its “National High School Spirit of Sport Award,” which will be conferred to eight section winners as well as one national winner. The recipient must be an individual from a high school that is a member of an NFHS-member athletic or activity association.

The recipient could be a coach, athletic administrator, administrator, official, trainer, student-athlete or any others associated with the school or the school’s athletic program, or an individual(s) associated with the school’s performing arts program.

This award seeks to recognize those individuals who exemplify the ideals of the positive spirit of sport that represent the core mission of education-based athletics. The award may be given in recognition of a specific act or for an activity of longer duration.

For example, it could be awarded to an individual (or group) that:

- *has demonstrated exemplary sportsmanship and/or citizenship in playing the game as it should be played;
- *has exceeded normal expectations in assisting others within the school or community; or
- *has overcome adversity or a challenging circumstance.

In the instance of a student, that student must be in good academic standing within his or her respective high school. Among the qualifying criteria that will be used are the student’s grade-point average, the activities in which he or she is involved, and community involvement. Other candidates should possess similar positive character traits, such as a high level of integrity and ethics.

The NFHS seeks to identify worthy award recipients by nominations submitted by the membership. Those nominations may be made by member high school associations or by high schools working through the member high school associations. In the instance of a nomination originating from a high school, it must be forwarded to the high school association within its particular state. A listing of all state associations is featured on the NFHS Web site at www.nfhs.org

The member state association would then review all nominations, select the one nomination it deems worthy, indicate its endorsement and approval by signing the nomination form and forward it to the NFHS. Each state association may submit just one nominee to the NFHS.

If you have a candidate you wish to nominate, please complete and return this nomination form to the NFHS no later than February 1, 2012. It may be submitted electronically by completing the form and e-mailing it to NFHS Associate Director of Publications and Communications John Gillis at jgillis@nfhs.org; by mailing it to: John Gillis, NFHS, P.O. Box 690, Indianapolis, Indiana 46206; or by faxing it to Gillis’ attention at 317.822.5700. In all instances, the deadline for returning the completed nomination is February 1, 2012. An eight-member national committee will then select the award winners.

This nomination form is the primary criterion in the nomination process. Support materials are welcome, but not required. Please also submit a color photograph of the nominee(s).

The names of the section winners and the national winner will be publicized in an NFHS press release, as well as in “High School Today.”

In addition, the national winner will be recognized at the NFHS Summer Meeting. Information regarding the national recipient will be included in print materials at the Summer Meeting, as well as in a video that will be shown there.

Every nominee, regardless if they are selected or not selected as a section or national award recipient, will receive a certificate co-signed by the NFHS Executive Director and the chairperson of the National High School Spirit of Sport Selection Committee.

NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL SPIRIT OF SPORT AWARD NOMINEE

Name of Nominee: [Tab here] _____
(first, middle, last)

Individual Submitting Nomination:

Name: [Tab here] _____

Phone: [Tab here] _____

E-mail: [Tab here] _____

Street Address: [Tab here] _____

City, State, Zip Code: [Tab here] _____

Date: [Tab here] _____

State Association Endorsement:

Name: [Tab here] _____

Title: [Tab here] _____

Signature: [Tab here] _____

NOMINEE INFORMATION SHEET

Student-athlete Coach Administrator

Athletic Administrator Other (Specify _____)

Name of Nominee: [Tab here] _____
(first, middle, last)

Current Address: [Tab here] _____
(street address)

[Tab here] _____
(city, state, zip)

Phone: [Tab here] _____

E-mail: [Tab here] _____

School (if any): [Tab here] _____

City: [Tab here] _____ State: [Tab here] _____

NOMINATION FORM

1. Please describe nominee's current involvement in high school. If applicable, please list any accomplishments or honors attained.

[Tab here]

2. Please list nominee's actions or accomplishments that deem him or her worthy of the "National High School Spirit of Sport Award."

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