

NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL SPIRIT OF SPORT AWARD

Official Nomination Form - 2023



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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, contest official, trainer, student-athlete or any others associated with the school or the school’s athletic 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 (or have been, if graduated) 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 nomination must be for something that occurred between January 1, 2022 and January 31, 2023. Nominated individuals do not necessarily need to still be enrolled in high school at the time of the nomination.

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 Website at www.nfhs.org

The member state association would then review all nominations, select the one nomination it deems worthy, sign the nomination form indicating its endorsement and approval 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 3, 2023. It may be submitted electronically by completing the form and e-mailing it to Chris Boone, NFHS Assistant Director of Publications and Communications at cboone@nfhs.org; by mailing it to: Chris Boone/SOS, NFHS, P.O. Box 690, Indianapolis, Indiana 46206; or by faxing it to Boone’s attention at 317.822.5700. In all instances, the deadline for returning the completed nomination is February 3, 2022. 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 encouraged, but not required. We would ask that you limit your support materials to a reasonable number. Please also submit a color photograph of the nominee(s).

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 in person at the NFHS Summer Meeting. Information regarding the national recipient will be included in a video that will be shown there.

Information regarding the section winners will be included in a video that will be shown there.

NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL SPIRIT OF SPORT AWARD NOMINEE

(The deadline for returning the completed nomination to the NFHS is February 3, 2023)

Name of Nominee: _____
(first, middle, last)

Individual Submitting Nomination:

Name: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Date: _____

State Association Endorsement:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____

NOMINEE INFORMATION SHEET

☐ Student ☐ Coach ☐ Administrator ☐ Official ☐ Trainer

☐ Athletic Administrator ☐ Other (Specify _____)

Name of Nominee: _____
(first, middle, last)

Current Address: _____
(street address)

(city, state, zip)

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

School (if any): _____

City: _____ State: _____

NOMINATION FORM

1. Please describe nominee's current involvement in high school. If applicable, please list any accomplishments or honors attained.
2. Please list nominee's actions or accomplishments that deem him or her worthy of the "National High School Spirit of Sport Award."