

NOMINATION FOR IHSAA MENTAL ATTITUDE AWARD

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I. CRITERIA

A. Nominee must:

1. Be a student in grade 12.
2. Be nominated by the principal and coach.
3. Excel in mental attitude, athletic ability, scholarship and leadership during the four years in high school.
4. Be a state finalist participant in the sport nominated.
5. Be selected by members of the IHSAA Executive Committee.
6. Meet minimum academic requirements of one of the following:
 - a. S.A.T. of 1000 (Verbal & Math scores only) or;
 - b. A.C.T. of 21 or;
 - c. Class rank in top 25%.

If the nominee does not meet any of the above standards and the principal feels there is a compelling reason for nominating the individual, the compelling reasons must be documented in the required principal's letter of recommendation.

It is the prerogative of the IHSAA Executive Committee to not present the Mental Attitude Award if in its judgment the nominees do not meet the criteria as set by the committee.

B. Definitions:

1. **Participant** – certified by the school and eligible to participate in a state finals tournament contest(s).
2. **Mental Attitude** – the spirit of cooperation taken by the nominee toward his/her coaches, teammates, opponents, game officials, teachers and classmates as evidenced by his/her actions, comments and overall behavior.
3. **Athletic Ability** – the level of competence possessed in the particular sport as depicted by statistical data, awards, honors and other forms of recognition.
4. **Scholarship** – the degree of success achieved in the academic program demonstrated by grades received, difficulty of course work, class rank, standardized test scores and awards/honors received.
5. **Leadership** – positions of responsibility held by the individual either through his/her own initiative or as a result of election by his/her peers in the school/community.

II. INSTRUCTIONS

Nominee will not be considered unless these instructions are followed:

1. Nomination must be submitted by stipulated IHSAA deadline for each sport.
2. Nomination form must:
 - a. **Be signed by the principal and coach.**
 - b. **Be submitted with a copy of the nominee's current transcript.**
 - c. **Include a letter of recommendation on school letterhead only from the nominee's principal.**
 - d. **Include headshot/photo of nominee.**
3. Use separate form in the event of more than one nominee.

I. NOMINEE

Name:

Date:

Address/City/Zip:

Home Phone:

High School:

Parents/Guardians:

Address/City/Zip of Parents/Guardians:

II. SPORT (Check one)

Boys

- ☐ Baseball – *named in honor of L.V. Phillips*
- ☐ Basketball – *named in honor of Arthur L. Trester/Ray Craft*
- ☐ Cross Country – *named in honor of Charles F. Maas*
- ☐ Football – *named in honor of Phil N. Eskew/Blake Ress*
- ☐ Golf – *named in honor of Fred A. Keesling*
- ☐ Soccer – *named in honor of C. Eugene Cato*
- ☐ Swimming & Diving – *named in honor of Herman F. Keller*
- ☐ Tennis
- ☐ Track & Field – *named in honor of Robert S. Hinshaw*
- ☐ Wrestling – *named in honor of Ward E. Brown*

Girls

- ☐ Basketball – *named in honor of Patricia L. Roy*
- ☐ Cross Country
- ☐ Golf
- ☐ Gymnastics – *named in honor of Mildred M. Ball*
- ☐ Soccer
- ☐ Softball
- ☐ Swimming & Diving
- ☐ Tennis
- ☐ Track & Field
- ☐ Volleyball

III. Nominee has qualified and will be participating in the following individual sport event(s) in the applicable state finals tournament. (Example: 106 lb. weight class, 100 meter dash, diving, balance beam, etc.)

IV. MENTAL ATTITUDE (30%) (Rate 1 to 5)

Key: 1 = Excellent; 2 = Very Good; 3 = Good; 4 = Fair; 5 = Poor

Toward Coaches:

Toward Training:

Toward Teammates:

Toward Opponents:

Toward Officials:

In Other Activities:

V. ATHLETIC ABILITY (30%) (Include separate sheet if necessary)

Major achievements in this sport:

VI. SCHOLARSHIP (20%) (Include transcript)

Class Rank: _____ in class of _____ students;

S.A.T.: Verbal: _____ ; **Math:** _____ ; **Total:** _____

A.C.T.: _____

VII. LEADERSHIP – SCHOOL & COMMUNITY (20%)

A. School Organization(s) including offices held:

B. Community Organization(s) including offices held:

C. Volunteer Work:

D. Awards, Honors and Special Recognition:

E. Participation in Other High School Sports:

VIII. Where does the nominee plan to attend college and area of study?

IX. Please include a copy of the nominee's current transcript when submitting nomination.

X. Please include a letter of recommendation on school letterhead only from the nominee's principal. Note any pertinent information that is not given previously in this form.

XI. Principal's Signature_____ **Date**_____

Coach's Signature_____ **Date**_____