

ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME BY-LAWS

What is the Athletic Hall of Fame?

The name of this organization shall be the Vanlue High School Athletic Hall of Fame (hereinafter referred to as the “Hall of Fame”), a program under the jurisdiction of the Athletic Department of Vanlue High School. The Hall of Fame is a tribute to the outstanding athletes, coaches, and others who through their achievements or service have brought honor to themselves, Vanlue High School, and the Vanlue Community.

Purpose:

When examining our past athletic tradition there was a need to honor those athletes, coaches, and others that have represented Vanlue High School and the Vanlue community in a positive manner. The Hall of Fame will recognize and honor those individuals who by their athletic endeavors, coaching excellence, or service have commanded respect and admiration for themselves and that of Vanlue High School and/or community.

By establishing a Hall of Fame, past athletes, coaches, teams, and others will be honored for their accomplishments and dedication while future athletes will seek to carry on the rich tradition of athletic excellence of Vanlue High School. There is a strong showing that athletics have a tremendous importance to young people, especially in today’s society. If we expect our students to be motivated to achieve, then we must show them that there are rewards for their accomplishments, dedication, and character.

Selection Committee:

The selection committee will consist of 5 members as follows:

- HS Athletic Director
- Athletic Boosters President or representative
- Three Community and/or Alumni Representatives (To be selected every other year by existing committee)

NOTE: Should a vacancy develop an appointment shall be made by the existing committee.

Criteria For Nomination and Selection of The Induction Class:

In order to maintain the integrity of the Hall of Fame, nominees must exemplify the highest standards of sportsmanship, ethical conduct, and moral character. All candidates will be judged on their significant and/or long term contributions to athletic endeavors. In addition, to the extent possible, acknowledged leadership in his/her chosen field or community, state, and national presence will be considered. Candidates may be nominated as a player, a coach, a team, or as a contributor by anyone. Candidates may not nominate themselves. All entries must be submitted on the official Vanlue High School Athletic Hall of Fame Nomination Form by

October 31. The nomination form shall be available through the school office and the school website. Nomination forms may be submitted by emailing the Vanlue Athletic Director or mailed to Vanlue School, Attn: Athletic Director.

Nomination as an Athlete:

A candidate shall not be considered for the Hall of Fame until eight (8) years after graduation from Vanlue High School.

The athlete must have exemplified sportsmanship and character on and off of the playing field during high school as well as after graduation. That is, he or she should be a positive role model and worthy of being emulated by current and future students.

A major athletic achievement (in school or after graduation), along with school and community citizenship should be a major factor to be evaluated when determining criteria for a candidate's induction. Suggestions are as follows:

- (1) An athlete should have earned at least two letters in one sport or one letter in two or more sports.
- (2) Any athlete who distinguished himself/herself above and beyond the normal standards in the field of athletics while attending Vanlue High School.
 - This may include establishing individual school, conference, state, or national records or championships.
 - This may include All Conference, All District, and All State Honors.
 - This may include record setting performances, team captaincy, sportsmanship awards, or other recognized awards or honors.
- (3) An athlete not honored for high school achievements, but who participates in college athletics and gains honors at this level or beyond, may be considered by the Hall of Fame Selection Committee.

Nomination as a Coach:

Coaches will become eligible after at least eight (8) years of retirement or inactivity from the Vanlue High School coaching staff. The coach must have made an outstanding contribution to the athletic program at Vanlue High School: i.e. leading a team to league, regional, or state recognition; introducing and building a particular athletic program at Vanlue High School; longevity of service to the athletic program; an individual's win-loss record in coaching career. The coach must have at least five (5) years of service coaching at Vanlue High School. The coach may not have left Vanlue High School for any reasons detrimental to the image of the school.

Nomination as a Team:

The Selection Committee may choose to select Varsity teams for induction into the Hall of Fame. To be inducted into the Hall of Fame, a team shall be eligible at least eight (8) years after its noteworthy achievement and the team must somehow have distinguished themselves above and beyond the normal standards. These may include: undefeated seasons, league championships, district championships, regional championships, and state tournament appearances. The Hall of Fame Selection Committee shall select not more than one team in any year or may choose not to select any team.

Nomination as a Contributor/Friend of Athletics:

This individual will have made an outstanding contribution to the athletic programs at Vanlue High School other than coaching and playing: i.e. volunteering, exceptional services, financial support, or significant number of volunteer hours in assistance of the athletic program.

Posthumous Nomination/Award:

Categories aforementioned. . . .any and all considerations for the above shall include those deceased members who are nominated from the above groups.

General Information:

Not more than four nominees may be elected to the Hall of Fame in a single year. The selection committee may choose not to select any nominees.

Nomination forms will not be maintained from year to year. Forms for those nominated but not selected for induction must be resubmitted.

There is no limit to the number of times a person or team can be nominated.

Achievements should be on record and verifiable by copies of news clippings, yearbooks, certificates of awards, etc. Also, consideration should be given to older nominees where documentation might not exist or be limited.

The Nominator must be able to provide a picture of the nominee.

Voting Process for Induction:

Members will receive all nomination forms for review, prior to the meeting, to vote for induction.

During a designated meeting, nominations will be discussed by the full committee followed by a vote for induction. Candidates will be selected by a majority vote of the committee members.

Any committee member with a perceived or actual conflict of interest shall be prohibited from voting for that nominee.



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ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME
NOMINATION FORM

We encourage you to nominate past Vanlue High School athletes, coaches, or special contributors you feel are deserving of induction into the Vanlue High School Athletic Hall of Fame. Nominations will be accepted until **October 31**. Nominees will be contacted to provide information about their athletic careers. The committee will make the selections for the induction ceremony to be held during a December basketball game. Nominations will not be maintained. Forms must be submitted yearly.

CRITERIA FOR NOMINATION

1. The nominee must have exemplified sportsmanship and character during and following his/her career.
2. An athlete/team must be a Vanlue High School graduate(s), have been out of high school for at least eight (8) years, and made significant athletic achievement either while in high school and/or after graduation from Vanlue High School.
3. A coach must have been inactive from Vanlue High School coaching staff for at least eight (8) years and have coached at Vanlue High School for a minimum of five (5) years. The coach must have made outstanding accomplishments while at Vanlue. These can be but are not limited to: longevity of a career, win-loss records, overall strength of a program, or championships.
4. A contributor must have made an outstanding contribution to the athletic program at Vanlue High School over an extended period of time.
5. A posthumous nomination will be considered according to the categories above.

Nominee's Category (circle one): **PLAYER** **TEAM** **COACH** **CONTRIBUTOR**

Nominee's Name: _____ Maiden Name: _____

Current Address (if known): _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Phone: (_____) _____ - _____

(If nominee's information is not known, please fill out for family contact.)

Name of family contact: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Phone: (_____) _____ - _____

Please List Nominee's Current Employment:

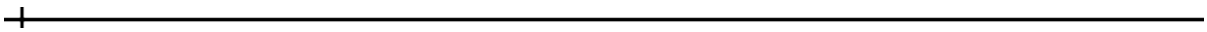
Employer: _____ Title: _____

Community Service: _____

Athletic/Coaching/Contributor Accomplishments at Vanlue: _____

Other Athletic/Coaching/Contributor Accomplishes After Graduation From Vanlue: _____

Reasons for Nomination (Please state why you believe this person/team is a qualified candidate(s) for the Vanlue Athletic Hall of Fame.): _____



Nominated By:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Phone: (_____) _____ - _____

Email: _____

Your Relationship to the Nominee: _____

Date of Nomination: ____/____/20____



Complete and return by either mail or email to:
Vanlue Athletic Director
301 S. East St, PO Box 250
Vanlue, OH 45890
kloepferj@vanlueschool.org

THE NOMINATOR MUST PROVIDE OR ASSIST WITH OBTAINING A PICTURE AND ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, IF REQUESTED, IF NOMINEE IS SELECTED FOR INDUCTION.