

Olathe Public Schools Alumni Association Wall of Honor

To perpetuate our tradition of excellence and inspire current students, outstanding alumni are selected for Wall of Honor recognition. The purpose of this prestigious award is to recognize Olathe Public Schools alumni for their lifetime achievements. Visit www.olatheschools.org/alumni for additional information.

What are the eligibility requirements?

(1) Candidates must be Olathe Public Schools graduates; (2) must have graduated at least 20 years prior to the nomination; and (3) must have attained a high level of achievement in at least one of the following areas: personal and/or professional life; community/ humanitarian service; or lifelong commitment to educational excellence.

How are honorees selected?

A committee of the Olathe Public Schools Alumni Association makes a recommendation to the alumni association board for final selection.

Is there a deadline?

March 1 is the deadline for the current year, but nominations are accepted on an on-going basis throughout the year.

When did this project begin?

The first class of honorees was inducted in 2007.

Is there an actual wall?

Yes, plaques listing the honorees by year are on display in the lobby of the Education Center, 14160 Black Bob Road, Olathe, Kansas. In addition, we have a touch-screen computer kiosk showcasing each honoree's photo and biography.

Additional information:

Nominees will not be discriminated against on the basis of race, creed, religion, sex, nationality, disability, economic status or marital status. The award may be bestowed posthumously. The Olathe Public Schools Alumni Association Executive Board retains the right to remove names from the Wall of Honor.

2007 Recipients: Stanley T. Adams, John Anderson Jr., Nanette (Hyer) Bohl, Joyce Brown, Herbert S. Hadley, Harley V. Haskin, Ella Mahaffie, Jesse Clyde "J.C." Nichols, Charles "Buddy" Rogers

2008 Recipients: Don Ashlock Sr., Marshall Ensor, James Flatley III, Doug Knop, Bob Millbern, Ernie Miller, Maron (Lorimer) Moore, Ned Rose, Frances (Bucknell) Tainter

2009 Recipients: Lena Bell, James H. Brady, Dorothy (Brenner) Francis, Larry A. Haskin, Peter Martin, Lois (Mann) Taylor Roath, Don Temple

2010 Recipients: Cliff Ball, Mary Jean (Davidson) Cochran, Greg Kincaid, Robert Manning, Harna (Petersen) McKenzie, James Pellett, G. Joseph Pierron Jr., Richie Pratt

2011 Recipients: Roger Ellis Alberty, Patricia (Martin) Davis, James Groszek, Cathy (Wollen) Maxwell, Edward Redinger, Ivan Wicke

2012 Recipients: Donald E. Davis Jr., Robert J. Enright, H. Thomas Payne, Rhonda L. Reist, Nancy (Millbern) Schultz, Gregory Sheffer

2013 Recipients: Mark Cameron, Jeff DeGraffenreid, William Alden Edson, Floyd Huggins, James H. Roberts Jr.

2014 Recipients: Donald K. Ashlock, John Douglass, Hazel (Blackwell) Hendrix, Jeff Meyers, Gary A. White, Shannon Wickliffe

2015 Recipients: Fred Allenbrand, Arthur Caylor, James R. Hubbard, Tom Knappenberger, Roger Russell, Rebecca (Milloy) Vrbas

2016 Recipients: James H. Kean, Michael Knop, Hugh Speer

2017 Recipients: Phillip Garrett, David L. Lee, Eugene Tuley

2018 Recipients: Carlotta (Dorst) Belcher, LeRoy O. Homan, Ken Roberts

2019 Recipients: Michael Boehm, Melissa (Harness) Flores, Kim (Bowen) Harbur, Sam Perkins

2021 Recipients: Ralph Bray Jr., Kiel Johnson, Brandi (Wright) Leggett, Ray Motes

2022 Recipients: Laurie (Kostel) Minard, Stanley Roth Jr., Darren Sproles

2023 Recipients: Nicholas Carnes, Sarah Hanson, Kimberly (Quackenbush) Poecker

2024 Recipients: Tom Kearney, Kerry (Koenig) Lane, Joni (Caylor) Moreland

Olathe Public Schools Alumni Association Wall of Honor Candidate Nomination Form

Step 1: Basic Nominee Information

Name of Nominee: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Phone Number: _____

Year of Graduation and School: _____

Current Occupation: _____

Email Address (optional): _____

Today's Date: _____

Check area(s) of high level of achievement:

personal and/or professional life

community/humanitarian service

commitment to education

Step 2: Nominee Profile

(A) Write a letter explaining why this nominee deserves recognition on the Olathe Public Schools Alumni Association Wall of Honor. Multiple letters of recommendation from several people are encouraged. Non-family member nominator is recommended.

(B) List any special awards and honors received. May include high school, post-secondary and/or lifetime.

(C) Include any additional relevant or supporting documentation such as newspaper clippings, etc.

Step 3: Nominator Contact Information

Nominator Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

Phone # _____ Email Address (optional): _____

Have you notified the nominee of this nomination? Yes No Deceased

Step 4: Return Form and Supporting Materials

Please mail all materials to:

Olathe Public Schools Alumni Association, 300 E. Loula Street, Olathe, Kansas 66061

Phone: 913-780-8182

Email: alumniassociation@olatheschools.org

****Only nomination forms with all three steps (1-3) completed will be accepted for consideration****