

NHSBCA John Wooden Legacy Award

The National High School Basketball Coaches Association has teamed with the John Wooden family to present an annual John Wooden Legacy Award to a boys and girls coach in each state. The recognition seeks to honor scholastic basketball coaches around the country who are educators and have achieved excellence on the floor, in the classroom, and in the community that further embodies the characteristics and legacy of Coach John Wooden. The criteria for this award are rooted in the ideals of Education, Longevity, Character, Service, and Excellence.



Kathy McGee – Flint Powers Catholic

BCAM has selected Kathy McGee as the girls coach recipient of the NHSBCA John Wooden Legacy Award for the State of Michigan. Kathy was the Head Girls Basketball coach at Flint Powers Catholic High School from 1976-2006. At the time of her retirement, she held the all-time wins record with 599 wins. Her teams won 4 State Championships, 3 State runner-up, 13 Regional and 20 District Championships, and 18 Conference titles. She was inducted into the BCAM Hall of Fame in 2002, the Greater Flint Area Sports Hall of Fame in 2002, Michigan Sports Hall of Fame in 2016, and the National High School Athletic Coaches Association Hall of Fame.

Kathy taught in the English Department at Flint Powers for 19 years and then was the athletic director for 13 years and the Development Director for 4 years. After serving as an assistant coach for 5 years at Central Michigan University, she returned to the Flint area and worked on 2 non-profit capital campaigns – 3 years toward a \$5 million campaign to build a new Hunger Solution Center for the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan, and 6 years toward a \$30 million project for the Sloan Museum of Discovery.

Kathy served on the MHSAA and BCAM Board of Directors and was the high school representative for the Women's Basketball Coaches Association.

Rick Zoulek – Shelby High School

BCAM has selected Rick Zoulek as the boys coach recipient of the NHSBCA John Wooden Legacy Award for the State of Michigan. Rick Zoulek's coaching record is 736-382. He has achieved 223 wins coaching the girls and 513 wins coaching the boys. Under his guidance, the teams have secured numerous accolades, including 19 League Championships, 24 District Championships, 4 Regional Championships, and 2 Final Four appearances (one for the boys and one for the girls).



Rick has been in education for 32 years and has coached many sports besides varsity basketball, including varsity golf for 10 years, JV baseball for 2 years, and 8th grade basketball for 2 years. He was also the athletic director for 5 years and worked with Rich Tompkins in the MHSCA for 7 years. Rick was the MHSCA President, as well as BCAM president in the past. He officiated basketball for 5 years before he started his coaching career. He was a moderator at the Shelby Congregational Church and an active member for 38 years. He has volunteered at the Ladder Community Center for the past 7 years as well as at the Shelby Recreation Club for 25 years. He has always been available to announce or operate the scoreboard for home events. Recently he served as a mentor for an elementary student.

Rick has been involved with BCAM for many years. He is currently the Regional Director for his area of the state. His coaching success has also led to well-deserved recognition and honors in the coaching community. Coach Zoulek's honors include BCAM Division 3 Coach of the Year, BCAM Regional Coach of the Year, BCAM All-Star Coach, and West Michigan Conference Overall Coach of the Year.