

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.



Robert Blohm - Canton HS

BCAM has selected Robert (Bob) Blohm as the girls coach recipient of the NHSBCA John Wooden Legacy Award for the State of Michigan. In 21 seasons at Plymouth Canton and Plymouth Salem High Schools, Bob Blohm's girls' basketball teams won 15 division and league championships. His teams played with great intensity on defense and an unselfish attitude on offense. The motion offense he taught was difficult to defend and helped his teams win 15 district championships. On five occasions his teams won regional championships and his 1989 & 1992 teams reached the Final Four.

Bob's dedication to the game has affected many lives. He has mentored numerous coaches and has spent countless hours on and off the court helping others. Bob was also instrumental in growing the girl's game in Michigan in the late 1970's and early 1980's. He was a leader in providing additional opportunities for girls with off-season camps and clinics. As a BCAM member, he has served on the All State selection committee. Bob has been named Coach of the Year by the Detroit Free Press, Detroit News, Ann Arbor News and has also won numerous BCAM coaching awards, including his induction into the BCAM Hall of Fame in 2006. Bob is pictured with his wife Wendy.

Don Miller - Glen Lake

BCAM has selected Don Miller as the boys coach recipient of the NHSBCA John Wooden Legacy Award for the State of Michigan. Don coached at Glen Lake for 31 years. His record of 523 wins included 14 Northwest Conference championships, 16 district championships, 9 regional championships, 6 semi-final appearances, Class D runner-up in 1996, and the 1977 Class D State Championship. Don was named the BCAM Class D Coach of the Year in 1983, 1984 and 1995. Don has been a BCAM All Star coach 4 times, including the 1985 intra-state victory over Iowa's All-Stars at Carver-Hawkeye Arena. He also served on the Boys' All State Selection Committee for 10 plus years. Don was inducted into the BCAM Hall of Fame in 1998. In 1999, he was nominated by BCAM to be the National Coach of the Year. In that process, Don was selected in January of 2000 as Regional Coach of the Year covering 5 states (Wisconsin, Ohio, Michigan, Indiana and Illinois). He received the award in Lincoln, Nebraska on August 2, 2000. In the fall of 2006, Don was inducted into the Michigan High School Coaches Association (MHSCA) Hall of Fame which includes coaches from all sports. Don is also the official photographer of the BCAM clinic and Hall of Fame banquet. Don and his wife of 56 years, Sandy, have 2 grown children, Josh and Johanna.



NHSBCA John Wooden Legacy Award Winners

2022 Al DeMott & Roy Johnston

2023 Kathy McGee & Rick Zoulek