



Bourgade Catholic Hall of Fame Bylaws

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Preamble

The Bourgade Catholic High School Hall of Fame is a distinguished congregation of community members who have exemplified measures of success in a variety of areas. Each year, this celebration aims to honor and induct a member or members of the BCHS community who have gone above and beyond in their accomplishments, and who have demonstrated high levels of success both in their involvement with Bourgade Catholic and in their personal and professional lives.

The Purpose of a Hall of Fame is:

1. To honor those Golden Eagles/Blue Angels who have accomplished extraordinary feats and who have brought distinction, honor and excellence to Bourgade Catholic High School and themselves.
2. To establish in the hearts of our youth, a motivating influence to excel in their area of study, their professional responsibility or in their philanthropic efforts.
3. To honor those who have made great contributions to Bourgade Catholic by way of monetary support, dedication of time and/or commitment through service to the community.
4. To honor alumni who have seized opportunities to benefit their direct communities outside of the Bourgade Catholic community.

Criteria for Consideration of Nominations

Distinguished in Athletics

The Distinguished in Athletics Award recognizes a person or persons who, during their tenure as a Golden Eagle/Blue Angel student-athlete or coach, exemplified outstanding success or support in the realm of historical or current athletic programs at Bourgade Catholic High School. Eligible nominees should be outstanding alumni, historical teams or former coaches who have made contributions to a particular sport or all athletic programs as a whole. *Coach nominations must have a minimum 10-year service time to BCHS athletics. Alumni may be nominated after a minimum of ten (10) years since graduating.*

Distinguished Alumnus

The Distinguished Alumnus Award recognizes outstanding alumni have achieved great accomplishment and honor for themselves, their community and for Bourgade Catholic High School in areas of: art, business, humanities, science, technology, government or philanthropy.

Nominations must have a minimum 10-year waiting period since graduating.

Distinguished in Service

The Distinguished in Service Award recognizes outstanding alumni, faculty, staff, administrators or other community members who, through their service to the community of Bourgade Catholic High School, have exemplified the mission in committing themselves to education in the Catholic tradition. *Alumni may be nominated after a minimum of ten (10) years since graduating. Other non-alumni nominees must have a length of service to the BCHS community equal to ten (10) years or more.*

Criteria for Selection

Nominees must exemplify the highest standards of ethical conduct and moral character.

Non-alumni nominees must have a minimum 10-year service time to the community of Bourgade Catholic High School.

Alumni nominees must have a minimum 10-year waiting period since their time of graduation.

No more than two (2) alumni members of the same graduating class, may be elected in any given year, unless the nomination is on behalf of an entire team or similar multi-person organization.

Nominations

Nominations can be made by any person. The available online nomination form must be filled out and submitted by the deadline in order to be considered for the given year. Nominations must include a detailed outline of the nominee's accomplishments, as well as any other important qualifications.

The nomination deadline for any given year will be July 15th.

Once nominated, the nominee automatically assumes a 5-year consideration period for induction into the Hall of Fame. Nominees received after the July 15th cutoff date will not be considered until the following Hall of Fame induction year.

Each year, the Hall of Fame selection committee meets to review past nominations and consider any new nominations made since the last induction meeting. At a subsequent meeting (or meetings), the committee then takes a close look and discusses the "Finalists". After the discussion using a voting procedure designated by the Hall of Fame chairperson, the selected new Hall of Fame members are announced, and the inductees are notified.

Balloting will be done secretly, and the nominee must receive more than half of the committee votes to become a Hall of Fame inductee.

Selection Committee

The Bourgade Catholic High School Hall of Fame selection committee is to be comprised of the following 12 individuals:

1. Principal
2. Director of Advancement
3. Athletic Director
4. Alumni Representative
5. Three (3) Bourgade Catholic faculty/staff members
6. One (1) Advisory Board Representative
7. One (1) current Varsity Athletic Coach
8. All current Hall of Fame members (conducted via email)

Selection Committee Term

The length of term for the selection committee (not to include Principal, Director of Advancement, Athletic Director) shall be for one (1) year.

Selection Committee Meetings

The selection committee shall meet two (2) times per year; once in July to review the nominations and a second time in August to make selections.

All selection committee members are encouraged, but not required to attend the induction ceremony.

Terms for Removal from Hall of Fame

Because the Hall of Fame is an honor that involves dignity, excellence and pride in our community, the Principal, Director of Advancement and Athletic Director reserve the right to remove any inducted member of the Hall of Fame, if information becomes available that makes it obvious that the elected individual no longer is deserving of the honor. A unanimous decision by the Principal, Director of Advancement and Athletic Director is required to remove a member from the Hall of Fame. The removal must come be accompanied by signed documentation.