# National DS High School Athletics Hall of Fame

#### **ABOUT THE HALL OF FAME:**

The Hall of Fame seeks students that have brought fame and recognition to their high school by participation in high school athletics programs.

Any athlete with Down syndrome that has participated in high school interscholastic sports is eligible to be recognized by or inducted into the National DS High School Athletics Hall of Fame.

The Hall of Fame may also recognize or induct individuals that were not athlete-participants but in some way contributed to the team. This contribution could be as a manager, mascot or number one fan. There are many possibilities for recognition or induction.

#### **GOALS:**

Our goal is to have every grade school age child with Down syndrome in the United States, and especially their parents, providers, schools and communities, made aware of the National DS High School Athletics Hall of Fame and of the achievements of those recognized and inducted.

#### **MISSION STATEMENT:**

Most children with Down syndrome participate in sports programs only at a special needs level. Many grade school children and high school students with Down syndrome dream of participating in high school interscholastic sports programs.

The National DS High School Athletics Hall of Fame promotes the idea that students with Down syndrome can achieve their dreams of high school sports participation.

Exposure to the accomplishments of these special sports heroes will motivate young students with Down syndrome to set their goals high and to achieve them. The National DS High School Athletics Hall of Fame can make these students realize that participation is possible at the high school level.

## **NOMINATION AND ELECTION PROCESS:**

Candidates must have, by their interscholastic high school sports exploits, brought recognition and honor to their high school.

All candidates must have completed their high school sports eligibility at least one year prior to their submitted nomination.

Candidates that have performed in high school sports, any number of years ago, may be nominated for consideration.

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