Damascus Athletics Hall of Fame Procedures

Established 2017-18

Purpose, Eligibility, Nominations, Selection Process, Ceremony, and Budget

Purpose: To recognize student-athletes, coaches, athletic directors, administrators, and community supporters of athletics for their outstanding contributions to Damascus Athletics. The people selected to the Hall of Fame will be the "best of the best" of Damascus Athletics. The Hall of Fame selection and ceremony will be conducted every year, but may move to every other year as needed.

Eligibility for Student-Athletes:

- 1. Demonstrated superior accomplishments as a student-athlete at Damascus High School (All-County, All-Met, etc.).
- 2. Graduated from Damascus at least four years prior to their nomination to the Hall of Fame.
- 3. Exemplified characteristics of integrity, sportsmanship, and citizenship before and after graduation.
- 4. Continued excellence at the collegiate, national, amateur, or professional levels should be considered.
- 5. The selection committee will review the nominees' entire body of work. Factors such as longevity, participation in other sports, and the overall contributions made by the nominee will be considered.

Eligibility for Coaches, Athletic Director and Administrator:

- 1. Eligible upon retirement or at the end of their tenure at Damascus.
- 2. Significant contributions made to the overall athletic program including longevity, innovations, overall record, and championships.
- 3. Is a positive role model for children as he/she exemplifies characteristics of integrity, sportsmanship and leadership.

Eligibility for a Team:

- 1. Outstanding achievement as a team.
- 2. At least a ten-year period must have passed since the team's outstanding achievement.

Eligibility for a Special Contributor:

1. Persons who have made significant contributions to Damascus Athletics. This may involve general support for the overall program or specific support of one or more sports. Longevity, sportsmanship and moral code will also be considerations.

Nomination Process: Candidates may be nominated at any time during the school year. The final deadline for nominations is May 1st. In order for a candidate to be nominated, the entire form (see attached form) must be completed. Please send all completed nomination forms to: **Joe Doody, Athletic Director, Damascus High School, 25921 Ridge Road, Damascus, MD 20872.**

Selection Committee: The selection committee will meet before the second week in May to make final selections by June 1st. The selection committee will be comprised of seven to nine people. The Principal and the Athletic Director will be standing committee members. The other committee members will be made up of past athletes, past or current coaches, community members and Athletic Booster Club Board members. All committee members are expected to participate and assist with the Hall of Fame ceremony.

Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony: The Hall of Fame induction ceremony will take place at halftime of a home football game (but not the Homecoming or the Senior night games) in the fall. The inductees will receive a plaque. Damascus Athletics will also place plaques on the Hall of Fame wall inside the building.

Budget: Damascus Athletics will fund the cost of the plaques. **<u>If you would like to contribute to the Damascus</u> <u>High School Athletic Hall of Fame, please contact the Athletic Director.</u>