

February 19, 2025

Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame Committee

c/o Coach Jason Morris

1524 West Parrish Avenue

Owensboro, KY 42301

Re: The nomination of Fletcher W. Long, Kentucky Prep Gridiron (KPG Football)

To whom it may concern,

I would like to nominate Fletcher Long, co-founder of Kentucky Prep Gridiron, to the Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame. Long went against all odds when starting his online service for our student-athletes in Kentucky. Although he was told that Kentucky Prep Gridiron would not be a success and would be a waste of time, Fletcher worked tireless hours to endorse Kentucky High School football and its coaches and athletes. Today, Fletcher has written nearly 3,000 articles endorsing our Kentucky High School coaches, players, and programs. He has almost 7,000 followers on Twitter and continues to grow.

Fletcher Long has been a near lifelong ambassador for middle and high school football in Kentucky. He is well respected amongst the high school coaches in Kentucky. His opinions, articles, and other types of endorsements have helped get thousands of student-athletes, coaches, and programs the types of positive recognition they deserve. In many cases, some very talented players would have gone through their entire football career without any type of recognition outside of their community if it were not for Fletcher Long and his work with Kentucky Prep Gridiron.

In closing, I feel that Fletcher Long deserves our recognition now and deserves the ultimate recognition of being placed in the KHSAA Hall of Fame. Thank you in advance for your time and consideration of placing "Friday Night Fletch", Fletcher Long, in the KHSAA Hall of Fame.

Sincerely,

Jason Morris

Head Football Coach / Athletic Director

Owensboro Catholic High School

February 19, 2025
Dawahare's/KHSAA Hall of Fame Committee
2280 Executive Drive
Lexington, Ky. 40505

Dear Hall of Fame Committee,

I am honored to write this letter in support of Fletcher Long's induction into the Dawahare's/KHSAA Hall of Fame as a "contributor". With years of dedicated sports journalism, Fletcher Long has significantly influenced the football community in Kentucky, earning respect of peers, athletes, and readers alike.

Mr. Long first developed and went online with Kentucky Prep Gridiron (KPG Football) near a decade ago and has cranked out over 3,000 articles about Kentucky High School Football in which his articles have been viewed on various social media platforms over a million times. He has done more to promote the brands of Kentucky high school football than practically any other media member, as he writes and publishes his articles year around and not just seasonally. Fletcher was dubbed "Friday Night Fletch" and appeared on WHAS streaming platforms opposite of Scott Fitzgerald formerly with iHeart Radio and the Kentucky News Network.

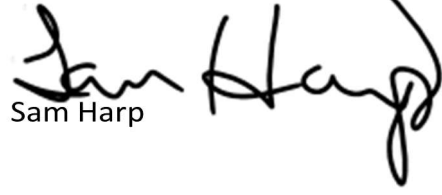
Fletcher Long quickly established a reputation for insightful and compelling high school football coverage. Over the years, he has contributed to notable publications, mainly the Kentucky Prep Gridiron online magazine, providing in-depth analysis and fostering deeper appreciation for sports among the public.

One of Fletcher's notable accomplishments was selecting, publishing, and promoting the first and only Freshman and Sophomore All-State Teams, as well as the small school (1A,2A,3A) and large school (4A,5A,6A) All-State Teams in commonwealth history. This exemplifies his commitment to excellence in sports journalism and has not only garnered state-wide acclaim but also had a lasting impact on the high school football landscape in Kentucky.

In recognition of his outstanding contributions in journalism in high school football, Long was awarded "The Citation of Achievement" by the Kentucky House of Representatives for his tremendous dedication and hard work in promoting Kentucky high school athletes and serving the commonwealth's vast football communities. In addition, Long has co-authored a book with Sam Harp, (HOF 2020 Class), about high school football in Kentucky called "Football 101, B00- Boo's a Quarterback". A football primer for Players, Coaches, and Parents. It's already in Amazon's best sellers in the category of sports coaching.

Given Fletcher Long's impact on sports journalism in Kentucky, I wholeheartedly endorse his induction into the Dawahare's/KHSAA Hall of Fame.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sam Harp". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, sweeping "H" and a long, trailing flourish at the end.

Sam Harp

Central High School
1130 W. Chestnut Street
Louisville, Kentucky 40203
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DAWAHARES/KHSAA HALL OF FAME COMMITTEE:

C/O Coach Marvin Dantzler

1514 Larchmont Avenue Louisville, Kentucky 40215

RE: The nomination of Fletcher W. Long, Kentucky Prep Gridiron (KPG Football)

To Whom It May Concern:

I fully endorse the enshrinement of Fletcher W. Long with Kentucky Prep Gridiron, into the 2026 Dawhares/ KHSAA Hall of Fame. Long has been a very influential endorsement of Kentucky high school and middle school football for many years. Highlighting and promoting high and middle school football across the Bluegrass with his Kentucky Gridiron platform. He has help with promoting not only players but also coaches through his media outlets.

Long co-authored, with Dawhares Football Hall of Fame member (2020) Sam Harp, what I believe to be among the definitive books about high school football ever written and published in Kentucky literary history (Football 101 Boo-Boo's a Quarterback: A Football Primer for Prospects, Coaches, and Parents).

Long work have and still remains very influential across the state with players, coaches and administration throughout the Bluegrass. His work is not only appreciated it is also worthy of recognition.

Sincerely,

Jefferson County Public Schools, P.O. Box 34020, Louisville, KY 40232

February 4, 2025

DAWAHARES/KHSAA HALL OF FAME COMMITTEE:

c/o Coach Sam Harp
1024 Marshal Street
Hendersonville, TN 37075

Re: The nomination of Fletcher W. Long, *Kentucky Prep Gridiron* (KPGFootball)

To Whom it May Concern:

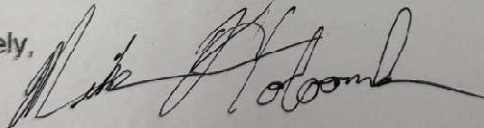
I fully endorse the enshrinement of Fletcher W. Long, with *Kentucky Prep Gridiron*, into the 2026 *Dawhares/KHSAA Hall of Fame*. Long first went online with *Kentucky Prep Gridiron* (KPGFootball) in April of 2017. In that amount of time, Long has published nearly 3,000 articles about middle and high school football, either personally or under one of his pen names.

Long co-authored, with *Dawhares Football Hall of Fame* member (2020) Sam Harp, what I believe to be among the definitive books about high school football ever written and published in Kentucky (*Football 101 Boo-Boo's a Quarterback: A Football Primer for Prospects, Coaches, and Parents*). Long, as *Friday Night Fletch*, also appeared opposite Scott Fitzgerald on a podcast called, *Friday Night Kentucky* on WHAS's streaming platform.

Long has been a first rate ambassador for both middle and high school football over his years covering the sport. Mr. Long's opinions and commentary holds heavy sway with members of both the football coaching and administrative communities.

I don't feel whether Long has earned enshrinement is a close call. He has rendered a Hall of Fame service and has helped countless numbers of Kentucky kids, and mountain kids, along the way. If that isn't Hall of Fame worthy, what is?

Sincerely,



MIKE HOLCOMB

Former HFC Breathitt, Letcher, Madison Central

DAWAHARES/KHSAA HALL OF FAME COMMITTEE:
c/o Coach Sam Harp
1024 Marshal Street
Hendersonville, TN 37075

Re: The nomination of Fletcher W. Long, Kentucky Prep Gridiron (KPG Football)

To Whom it May Concern:

My name is Robert Stinson and I am a former player and captain of the football team at the University of Kentucky. I graduated high school from Trigg County in Cadiz, Kentucky. Both my wife and I have spent our lives in education. I have taught and coached on staffs as an assistant in football (mainly) for many of my years post-UK. While, my wife has spent a majority of her career in Administration.

I am writing to support the induction of Fletcher Long (Friday Night Fletch) into the Dawhares KHSAA football Hall of Fame as a "Contributor." I know Fletcher; but, even if I didn't, football people across the commonwealth are familiar with him and his digital publication, Kentucky Prep Gridiron and @KPGFootball on Twitter.

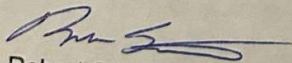
I don't know of any media member, either now or ever, who has wielded the amount of influence, among the commonwealth's football family, as Friday Night Fletch. I listened to his podcast, Friday Night Kentucky, on iHeart's streaming platform when it was active. I read KPG Football daily.

My son, Bo Stinson, is playing football for the Georgetown College Tigers. He was getting very few looks and scant attention before "Friday Night Fletch" started featuring him and promoting him on his website and using his platforms for Bo's benefit. After being feature by Fletcher, the interest and offers started rolling.

High school coaches listen to him and care what he says. College coaches listen to him and care what he says. He has a tremendous amount of influence all across Kentucky and has used it to lift people higher and not to anyone's detriment.

He represents the best in us. He is definitely a Hall of Fame Contributor in my estimation.

Sincerely,


Robert Stinson

January 28, 2025

Dawahare's/KHSAA Hall of Fame Committee
C/O Sam Harp
1024 Marshall Street
Hendersonville, Tennessee 37075

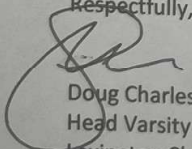
To Whom it May Concern:

I'm writing on behalf of Fletcher Long for his consideration in being inducted into the Dawahare's Hall of Fame for his numerous contributions to both Middle School and High School Football over the past several years. Fletcher has been a key ambassador as he's featured literally thousands of student athletes throughout his impressive tenure. From weekly articles featuring athletes from all corners of our state, to writing books and hosting radio and TV shows, Fletcher has established himself as a statewide resource for all things related to middle school & high school football throughout the Commonwealth.

Both coaches and players alike look forward to his weekly insights featuring players, coaches and teams. He's dedicated countless hours putting in the work to highlight the accomplishments of thousands of people. I'd personally consider Mr. Long as being the most knowledgeable advocate for promoting football from the east to the west and the north to the south. No one spends more time in covering middle school and high school football in Kentucky than Fletcher Long. His articles featuring individual athletes of all ages have helped put many of them in next level opportunities while giving each kid a spurt of confidence and validation.

It's because of all the aforementioned that I wholeheartedly support and recommend that Fletcher be enshrined in the Dawahare's High School Hall of Fame.

Respectfully,



Doug Charles
Head Varsity Football Coach
Lexington Christian Academy
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February 10, 2025

DAWAHARES/KHSAA HALL OF FAME
COMMITTEE: c/o Coach Sam Harp 1024
Marshal Street
Hendersonville, TN 37075

Re: The nomination of Fletcher W. Long, Kentucky Gridiron (KPGFootball11)

To Whom it May Concern:

I was contacted on Fletcher Long's behalf seeking my endorsement of his enshrinement in the Dawhares, KHSAA Hall of Fame as a "Contributor." I am pleased to endorse his candidacy.

Long co-authored, with Dawhares Football Hall of Fame member (2020) Sam Harp, what I believe to be one of the more accurate and honest books on high school football ever published in Kentucky. I also greatly enjoyed listening to Long, as Friday Night Fletch, on a podcast titled, Friday Night Kentucky, on WHAS's streaming platform opposite Scott Fitzgerald.

Long has been a first rate ambassador for both middle and high school football over his years covering the sport. Mr. Long's opinions and commentary hold heavy sway with members of both the football coaching and administrative communities.

I don't feel whether Long has earned enshrinement is a close call. I can tell you this, I had a player vying for Mr. Football a few years back, named Daniel Thomas. There was no doubt in my mind Thomas was deserving.

Long persistently advocated for Thomas's selection and wrote numerous features about Thomas which were effective in getting attention for Thomas necessary for him to win an award for which Thomas's on field production made him undoubtedly worthy.

I know of no better, nor more effective, promoter for the middle and high school game of football Kentucky-wide than Fletcher Long. He is worthy for induction into the Hall of Fame in my mind. I hope you agree.

Sincerely,



DUDLEY HILTON

DUDLEY
Head Football Coach
Bell County High School

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