

KENTUCKY HIGH SCHOOL COACHES ASSOCIATION



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Dear KHSAA Hall of Fame Selection Committee

I am writing on behalf of Bart Rison being selected into your KHSAA's Hall of Fame. Bart has been active with the KHSCA for over 30 years. He has served as the President in 1991-92 and in 1996-97. In 1999 he became a KHSCA Advisor (one of three that serve on the KHSCA Board...and only for KHSCA past Presidents) and is presently still serving in that leadership position.

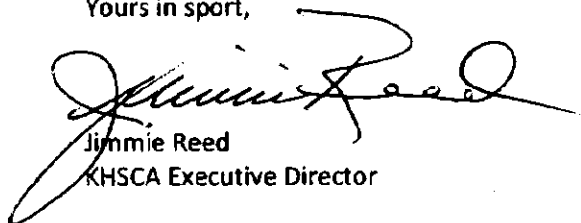
Bart has served at the national level where he was on the National High School Athletic Coaches Associations (NHSACA) board from 1991-1999.

In 2004 Bart was inducted into the NHSACA Hall of Fame for his coaching success and for his involvement with the NHSACA and his long term leadership role with the KHSCA.

In June of 2016 Bart was one of 8 finalist for the NHSACA Coach of the Year award in softball. He was also given the NHSACA "Distinguished Service Award" for all of his contributions to his state association and for his past leadership in the NHSACA.

Bart Rison needs to have serious consideration for the 2018 induction into the KHSAA Hall of Fame.

Yours in sport,



Jimmie Reed
KHSCA Executive Director

Selection Committee
Dawahares KHSAA Hall of Fame

Dear Members:

I am writing to recommend Bart Rison for inclusion in the 2018 Class of the Dawahare's/KHSAA Hall of Fame.

Having worked with Bart through his positions of athletic director, boys' basketball coach and girls' softball coach over a span of 25 years, I can say with confidence that Bart represents what the Hall of Fame is all about.

When Bart came to Montgomery County after a short but successful career at Estill County, he inherited a basketball program that had failed to have a winning season for a period of over two decades.

Immediately the program became successful and over the following 25 years under Bart's leadership it continued to flourish, both on and off the floor. His program earned the respect throughout the state and his players learned discipline and a competitive nature that has carried dozens to highly successful careers in their post-basketball lives.

Later in his career he was pressed into service coaching softball and in an entirely different environment proved high successful. Once again he took an unsuccessful program and turned it into a regional contender every year.

In a span of a quarter of a century Bart enjoyed success as his teams won just under 900 games. He enjoyed much success in the positive effect he had on young people in teaching them to live disciplined lives and to have a good work ethic and he gave back to the sports community as one of the state's top baseball umpires.

As an athletic director Bart worked diligently to broaden the opportunities for all of the students in the system. He was always a strong proponent of Title IX and was a leader with both his words and actions in helping the school system become a leader in athletic opportunities for girls.

Bart has also been a strong proponent of statewide organizations and has given countless hours in helping those organizations improve the quality of high school athletics across the board, across the state.

Through his lifetime efforts in all of these areas — coaching, umpiring, being a positive role model for his athletes, both boys and girls, helping to improve facilities and working on a statewide level as well as in his home school — it makes him a leading candidate for this Hall of Fame. Few have tirelessly given so much in so many areas of high school athletics in such a positive way as Bart and I hope the committee, after looking at his lifetime of successful work in so many areas will recognize him with admittance into the Hall.

Sincerely yours,
Dan Manley

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Kentucky High School Athletic Association
Hall of Fame Nominating Committee
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Nominating Committee Members:

As a former school administrator and life-long sports enthusiast, it has been my good fortune to know Coach Bart Rison for 31 years. I have had the unique opportunity to observe him from various perspectives. I was the Principal of Montgomery County High School, where he taught, coached and served as an administrator. Additionally, I served as a member of the KHSAA Board. Most importantly, however, it has been my pleasure to interact with him as a friend, and to witness not just his talent and skills as a coach, but also the quality of his character both on and off of the field and court. He demonstrated a work ethic and attention to detail that is seldom duplicated.

Bart's mark on Montgomery County High School left a solid foundation in both basketball and softball. His outstanding skills have resulted in high levels of success for himself, the programs he served and his students. As an athletic director he provided support to all sports in the district, allowing them an opportunity to grow and achieve. His relationship with many of the students he coached guided them on a path to accomplishment extending into their adult years.

Mr. Rison has worked tirelessly to improve sports at Montgomery County High School, as well as throughout the district, region and state. He has been honored during his career by his peers and relevant organizations, such as the Kentucky High School Athletic Association. His work in high school athletics as a participant, coach and official have exemplified what the Kentucky High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame represents.

Therefore, it is a distinct honor for me to recommend Bart Rison to you as a most deserving addition to the elite and esteemed Hall of Fame.

Sincerely,



David S. Points

Coach Bart Rison

Career Head Boys Basketball Coach

- Estill County 5 years (1981-1985)
- Montgomery County 21 years (1986 thru 2007)

Career

- 26 Seasons as a Head Coach
- 23 Winning Seasons
- 12 District Championships
- 1 Regional Championship (1st ever for Montgomery)
- 5 Regional Runner-up
- 23 Trips to Regional Tournament
- 13 – 20 Win plus seasons
- **Overall Record Won 505 Lost 269**
- Average of 19 Wins per Season
- Was 81 and 59 at Estill Co. from 1981 thru 1986, 5 straight winning seasons!
- 1987 to 1988 10th Region Basketball Coaches Association President
- 2001 to 2002 KY. Association of Basketball Coaches President
- KABC 1995 10th Region Basketball Coach of the Year
- 1998 KY/Indiana High School All- Star Basketball Series Head Coach of the Year
- 1998 KY High School Athletic Association Baseball Advisory Committee
- 2000 10th Region Basketball Coaches Association Hall of Fame
- KABC 2002 10th Region Basketball Coach of the Year
- 2006 KY High School Athletic Association Basketball Advisory Committee Member
- 2008 KY High School Athletic Association Softball Advisory Committee
- 2016 KY/Indiana High School All-State Basketball Series Assistant Coach for KY.

COACH BART RISON
Montgomery Girls Softball Coach

Softball Coach at Montgomery Co.

Won: 387 Lost: 137 - Years: 14

- ❖ 14 Winning Seasons
- ❖ 13, 20 + Seasons
- ❖ 6, 30 + Seasons
- ❖ 8 District Championships
- ❖ 7 Region Championships
- ❖ 4 Region Runner-Ups
- ❖ 2016 NHSACA Coach of Year Finalist in Softball

Other Hall of Fame Induction Information

- ❖ 1995 K.H.S.A.A. Baseball Umpire of the Year
- ❖ 1998 KY. High School Baseball Coaches Association Hall of Fame as an umpire.
19 year umpiring career 1982 thru 2000
19 district tournaments, 16 regional tournaments, 9 semi- state tournaments, 5 final four state tournaments.
- ❖ 2000 10th Region Basketball Coaches Association Hall of Fame
26 seasons as a head coach, over 500 wins.
- ❖ 2002 Alabama Junior College Athletic Hall of Fame as a Basketball and Baseball player at Faulkner State Junior College 1975 thru 1977.
- ❖ 2004 National High School Athletic Coaches Association Hall of Fame, Induction June 23, 2004 Las Vegas, Nevada.
- ❖ 2008 K.A.B.C. Basketball Court of Honor
- ❖ 2009 Kentucky Fast Pitch Hall of Fame
- ❖ 2012 Central Kentucky Umpire Association Hall of Fame

Bart Rison

Baseball and Softball Umpiring Career

1983 Worked Regular Season

1984

40th District at Montgomery Co.
11th Region at UK Shively Field

1985

44th District at ECU
11th Region at UK Shively Field

1986

41st District at Woodford Co
Semi-State Region 9-10-11-12 at Harrison Co
KHSAA Final Four at Elizabethtown

1987

44th District at Madison Central
11th Region at Woodford County

1988

43rd District at Athens
11th Region at Madison Central

1989

44th District at Madison Central
14th Region at Powell Co
Semi-State Region 9-10-11-12 at Harrison Co

1990

43rd District at UK Shively Field
10th Region at Harrison Co
Semi-State Region 13-14-15-16 at Morehead

1991

37th District at Harrison Co
10th Region at Montgomery Co
Semi-State Region 9-10-11-12 at Northern Kentucky University
KHSAA Final Four at Owensboro

1992

39th District at Fleming Co
11th Region at Woodford Co
Semi-State Region 9-10-11-12 at Harrison Co

1993

43rd District at UK Shively Field
11th Region at Madison Central
KHSAA Final Four at Owensboro

1994

43rd District at Lafayette
11th Region at Woodford Co
Semi-State Region 9-10-11-12 at Lafayette
1995
43rd District at UK Shively Field
11th Region at Lafayette
Semi-State Region 9-10-11-12 at Thomas Moore College
1996
43rd District at Bryan Station
10th Region at Harrison Co
Semi-State Region 9-10-11-12 at Harrison Co
1997
43rd District at Henry Clay
11th Region at Woodford Co
KHSAA Final Four at Louisville
1998
43rd District at Lafayette
11th Region at Lafayette
1999
37th District at Harrison
11th Region at Franklin Co
Semi-State Region 9-10-11-12 at Harrison Co
2000
42nd District at Dunbar
37th District at Nicholas Co
39th District at Campbell Co
10th Region at Campbell Co
KHSAA Final Four at Lexington

Softball Umpire

2012
42nd District at Lexington Christian
11th Region at ECU
2016
44th District at ECU
11th Region at Madison Central

Rison worked 18 Regional tournaments 9 semi-state tournaments and 5 final four state tournaments in 19 year umpiring career. Rison was KHSAA umpire of the year in 1995 and went into the Kentucky High School Baseball Coaches Association Hall of Fame as an umpire in 1998.