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**CLASS OF
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CEREMONY**

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Special Olympics Alaska Gym

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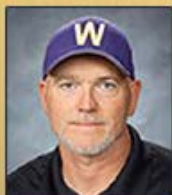


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WELCOME



As part of its 50th anniversary in 2006, Alaska School Activities Association (ASAA) initiated the Alaska High School Hall of Fame to “identify and honor in a permanent manner, those individuals who have exhibited high ethical standards and integrity while achieving excellence in high school athletics and activities in the state of Alaska; as well as others who have distinguished themselves by virtue of exemplary contributions to the advancement of interscholastic athletics and activities in the state.”

The induction of these outstanding individuals and organizations will mark the 17th year of the Hall of Fame. During this time 8 activity participants, 7 activity sponsors, 10 administrators, 75 athletes, 43 coaches, 8 officials, 12 contributors, and 8 Lifetime Achievement recognitions have been inducted.

We take great pride in inducting the members of the Class of 2024 and invite all inductees, families, friends, supporters and constituents to share in the enduring spirit of this occasion.

Billy Strickland
ASAA Executive Director

INDUCTION CEREMONY

SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2024
2:00PM
SPECIAL OLYMPICS ALASKA GYM

- **Welcome** - Billy Strickland ASAA Executive Director
- **National Anthem / Alaska Flag Song**
- **Recognition Past Inductees**
- **Master of Ceremonies** - Don Winchester
- **Hall of Fame Induction Class of 2024**
- **Reception**

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TEREK

SOUTH ANCHORAGE HS Drama, Debate & Forensics



2024 Activity Participant Inductee

In 2015, during his senior year at South Anchorage High, Terek Rutherford was named a National Speech & Debate Association All American. To date, he's the lone Alaskan to receive such lofty Drama, Debate & Forensics status.

“Terek is undoubtedly the most-decorated (DDF) competitor in Alaska history,” said Shawn Briscoe, Assistant Director of the University of Alaska Anchorage debate program and Rutherford’s coach “Each year, more than 130,000 students compete in the (national competition). Of those, only 25 receive All-America honors.”

Rutherford lettered in DDF all four years at South and also earned letter in tennis. He helped lead the Wolverines to two state championships and grabbed five individual titles. He was the top speaker in Policy & Debate for three consecutive years (2013, 2014 and 2015) and holds the record for number of first-place rankings in speech (Forensics) with 86.

Nationally, he was also honored as the 12th speaker in the nation for policy debate in 2015.

“Terek applied the values of understanding different perspectives, maintained the highest levels of integrity and achieved self-improvement by helping others in every endeavor he’s taken.”

Rutherford later graduated from the University of Southern California and today works as an associate with the Alaska Permanent Fund Corporation in Juneau.



CARL ARTS

VALDEZ HS Basketball



2024 Athlete Inductee

A 2004 Valdez High graduate, Carl Arts' basketball prowess stretched the distance from Prince William Sound to Anchorage, where he also became a University of Alaska Anchorage legend.

Arts helped lead the Buccaneers to 3A ASAA March Madness Alaska state championships as both a sophomore and a senior. Valdez won the 2004 title with a 28-0 mark that saw Arts average 17.1 points per game. He was named the 3A boys player of the year as well. The Buccaneers sported a 56-1 record in Arts' final two seasons.

"I was always amazed at the passion, humility, resiliency and poise under stress Carl brought to each practice and game," said Valdez coach Todd Wegner.

Former UAA coach Shane Rinner said Arts was among the very best players he's coached. "You can count on him to do the right thing every time," Rinner said.

Arts was named to the UAA Hall of Fame in 2018 and the basketball program retired his No. 34. He ranks in the Seawolves' all-time top three in scoring and rebounding. Today, he is a UAA professor and coach who has greatly contributed to Alaska's youth. Arts and wife Sarah are the adopted parents of two children.



JESSTINA PILI

BARROW HS Basketball & Volleyball



2024 Athlete Inductee

These days, the last name Pili is renowned throughout Alaska for its athletic excellence. Jesstina “Piggy” Pili gained her spot in the annals of Alaska high school history with strong showings in both basketball and volleyball while attending Barrow High.

“Piggy emphasizes respecting your opponents regardless, and always sticking together as a team no matter how bumpy the road gets,” said Barrow volleyball coach Aniseko Unutoa.

A 2007 Barrow graduate, Pili was part of two state-tournament volleyball teams and was named to the Class 1A-2A-3A state all-tournament teams in 2004 and 2006. A knee injury forced her out of action in 2005. The Whalers won the 2006 state crown and Pili was named the tournament’s outstanding hitter.

On the basketball court, Pili was part of Barrow’s 2007 3A March Madness Alaska title squad and named player of the year. She was honored at state three times as an all-tournament selection.

“Piggy was strong physically and strong-willed,” said former coach Becky Crabtree. “Part of her strength may be due to her closely-knit family that staunchly supports one another.”

Pili attended Black Hills State (S.D.) on a basketball scholarship. Today, she resides in Utqiagvik where she works for Alaska Airlines and helps coach at Barrow High.



JORDAN

BARTLETT HS Football and Track & Field



2024 Athlete Inductee

It's been said that each time Bartlett High hosts a track and field meet, commemorative flags are placed out on the throwing field to mark Jordan Clarke's historic achievement.

"Putting amazing feats into perspective," said former Bartlett coach and teacher John Jessen.

There's little doubt Clarke belongs among a shortlist of Alaska's track and field immortals. Before graduating from Bartlett in 2008, he set the state records in both the discus (192 feet, 7 inches) and shot put (71-3). He was deemed the state championship meet's outstanding male competitor three times and was obviously just as dominant in the Cook Inlet Conference.

On the football field, Clarke played multiple positions and was named team captain twice. He was honored as a first-team, all-state offensive lineman twice.

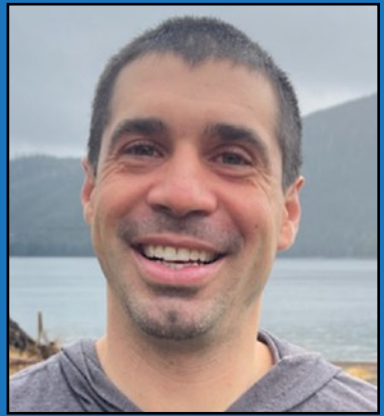
He later excelled collegiately at Arizona State University and was inducted into the school's hall of fame in 2023. There he won multiple NCAA and other titles. He competed professionally on United States World Team and won a gold medal at the 2014 Pan American Sports Festival.

"Jordan's success is not only a reflection of his talent but also a result of his unwavering determination," said former Bartlett track and field coach John Schmitz.



RAYMOND DOUVILLE

**CRAIG HS
Basketball**



2024 Athlete Inductee

In 2003, Craig High's student enrollment barely surpassed 100. Yet Raymond Douville and the Panthers didn't let those small numbers get in the way of making major history.

Douville was part of Craig's 2003 Class 3A March Madness Alaska state championship team, defeating teams from schools three times the size in the process. He enjoyed a stellar scholastic career as a multiple-time member of all-conference basketball squads. In addition, he was honored as part of the 3A state all-tournament teams in 2002 and 2003.

The 2003 Craig team downed 4A Juneau-Douglas 70-55 in Southeast Alaska's annual crossover tournament championship game. It marked the first time a 3A school won the tournament finale since 1975.

"Raymond was part of a special team of kids from a small community that played together from elementary school through high school," said former Craig administrator Doug Rhodes. "They helped put Craig on the map as a force from which to be reckoned.

"I've never seen a team the caliber of that (2002-03) Craig one, and Raymond was the key to its success." An injury shortened Douville's college career. Today, he is a father of two and a successful commercial fisherman in the Craig area. He's said he can't wait to someday see his sons play for the Panthers.



TRAVIS ADAMS

BARROW HS
Basketball & Football

2024 Athlete Inductee

From the start of Travis Adams' freshman season of basketball to his senior year ending in 2018, he provided the Barrow High boys with one constant. Success. Adams totaled 1,610 points and 584 assists in his scholastic career and helped lead the Whalers to three 3A March Madness Alaska state championships, including the program's first in 2015.

"What separated Travis from many other athletes was his unwavering support of his teammates," said former Barrow coach Jeremy Arnhart. "He was also unafraid to lead, as he was so often called on to do."

Adams also played four seasons of football for Barrow and was part of the 2017 First National Bowl Division III state-title winning squad. After high school graduation, Adams went on to play basketball for the University of Alaska Anchorage. Unfortunately, a back injury cut his collegiate career short.

"Travis strived to be the best off the field as well, and his attitude always proved contagious." Barrow football coach Chris Battle said. "Along with his undeniable talent, working with Travis has always been fun."



ZACH BOWMAN

BARTLETT HS
Basketball & Football

2024 Athlete Inductee

Armed with the knowledge of being one of only 14 Alaskans to play in the NFL is a nice way to go through life. But that fact is just one of the many things that help make Zack Bowman and all his achievements special.

Bowman played four years of both basketball and football before graduating from Bartlett High in 2003. During that time, he was twice named Gatorade Football Player of the Year and to the Cook Inlet Conference all-league basketball squad. Bartlett won the Division I First National Bowl football state championship during Bowman's junior year and won the 4A March Madness Alaska basketball state titles in both his junior and senior years.

"Zack's leadership on and off the court and field was a driving force that motivated and inspired our teams" said friend and former teammate Pierce Blewett.

Bowman played collegiately at the University of Nebraska, where he was selected as a team captain in 2007. He was then drafted by the Chicago Bears in the fifth round of the 2008 NFL. He played in parts of eight seasons with five teams for a total of 99 games. Today, he resides in Nebraska with his family and works as both a coach and director of youth sports.

"Zack is probably the most dynamic football player in the state's history," said former Bartlett coach John Jessen. "All he's accomplished, he did so as an extremely humble person and was always a great teammate."



BILL JACK

**BETHEL, KOTZEBUE & NOME
HS
Basketball & Cross Country**



2024 Athletic Coach Inductee

Bill Jack mostly made his name coaching in Western Alaska. However, “His impact ripples across the state,” said longtime Bering Strait School District administrator Jeff Erickson.

Jack spent portions of four decades coaching basketball and cross-country running at Bethel, Kotzebue and Nome-Beltz in the western part of the state and also worked at Anchorage’s Heritage Christian. His team’s won numerous conference titles and won state crowns for small schools in 1976 and 1983.

“Coach Jack worked hard to prepare his teams for success in both sports and life,” said former Nome-Beltz player Uly Hall. “To this day, he remains a friend and mentor to many former students he coached over the years. He was not only a hard worker, but a dynamic person.”

Jack completed the Iditarod twice, finishing a career-best 20th in the 1992 edition of the Last Great Race.

“While the Iditarod was not directly related to high school (sports), it was incredibly motivating to his players who found it easy to buy into Coach Jack’s philosophy of dedication, hard work and unwavering commitment to get the best and most out of one’s self,” Hall said.



JIM BEESON

**KENAI-CENTRAL HS
Basketball, Football and
Track & Field**



2024 Athletic Coach Inductee

Start with the five small-school First National Bowl football state titles won, and you'd just be scratching the surface of Jim Beeson's successful footprint left on Alaska high school sports history. His Kenai teams were built to beat anyone and did long before the state's football-playing school splintered into multiple classifications.

"Beeson's teams were smart, disciplined, tough and hard working," said veteran Alaska journalist Matt Tunseth, who played for the 1994 Kenai collection that pulled a playoff upset of sorts on Anchorage powerhouse Dimond. "Those were traits we picked up directly from our coach."

Beeson finished his Kenai career with 103 victories, placing in the top seven all time in the state's football coaching pantheon. He was named Alaska's coach of the year and the Northern Lights Conference's coach of the year multiple times. He also earned similar honors for boys basketball twice and once for girls basketball. The Kenai Chamber of Commerce gave him the Service to Youth award in 2014, the same year he was bestowed a Key to the City award. Beeson now lives and works in Wenatchee, Wash.

"(Coach Beeson) instilled confidence in me as a young person when I desperately needed it," Tunseth said. "As priceless a lesson as anyone can ever receive."



ROD

**PALMER HS
Football & Nordic Skiing**



2024 Athletic Coach Inductee

After graduating from Palmer High in 1978, Rod Christiansen returned a few years later to begin his legendary coaching career as an assistant coach with the Moose football program. Christiansen took over as head coach in 1991 and as the next 27 seasons progressed with him in charge, Palmer played with the character and toughness of its coach.

“Coach was an influencer long before that became a thing with the advent of social media,” said former Palmer High principal Wolfgang Winter. “What really stands out about him is that he never made it about himself in any way, shape or form.”

Christiansen finished his Palmer coaching career as Alaska’s all-time winningest coach with 159 victories. He was named state coach of the year five times. The Moose won the 1995 single-classification First National Bowl state championship and finished second at state four times. He also taught math and science at the school, worked as Nordic ski coach and coached youth baseball.

Coach C, as most of his students and players called him, is an Alaska institution whether he likes the sound of that or not. Christiansen and wife of 30-plus years Temple raised a family of four sons. “He consistently placed the needs of his players above all else,” said Palmer mayor Edna DeVries. “His impact reverberates not only through the accolades and championships, but also through the lasting relationships he cultivated and the positive vibes he instilled in his students.”



SHAWN LUNDGREN

**LATHROP, WEST VALLEY &
MONROE CATHOLIC HS
Hockey**

2024 Athletic Coach Inductee

Maybe more than any other sport, hockey hardware, the trophy a team earns for its effort is cherished more than can be explained. In Shawn Lundgren's nearly 30 seasons coaching in and around Fairbanks, he helped lead boys teams to four First National Cup state titles as well as two girls championships. The success cements his place in Alaska high school history.

"As storied as his coaching career has been, what truly elevates Coach Lundgren is his commitment to excellence off the ice," said Christopher Dean, an Alaska licensed athletic trainer. "He quickly established a culture, empowering future leaders to hold each other accountable, push each other's success, and win the 'right way.'"

At the Division I level, Lundgren led Lathrop to the 2009 state title and his 2000 West Valley squad finished second at state. His Monroe Catholic teams won DII First National Cup crowns in 2016, 2017 and 2018. In 2013 and 2014, he coached Fairbanks Arctic Bears to back-to-back unsanctioned girls championships. He led teams to numerous conference titles along the way as well. Lundgren retired from coaching in Alaska in 2018 and currently resides in Minnesota.

"More important than the three state championships he won, Coach Lundgren held our students to a very-high standard," said Frank Ostanik, Monroe's director of schools. "I would argue there are few hockey coaches around the state who've had a greater impact in their community. (While) an exceptional coach, he is a better human being."



WARD ROMANS

**NIKISKI & GRACE CHRISTIAN
HS
Basketball**

2024 Athletic Coach Inductee

For an impressive stretch of time in Alaska high school basketball's history, you knew where to find Ward Romans and his Nikiski girls teams.

From the early 90s to the mid-200s, Romans and the Bulldogs played in the state's biggest games.

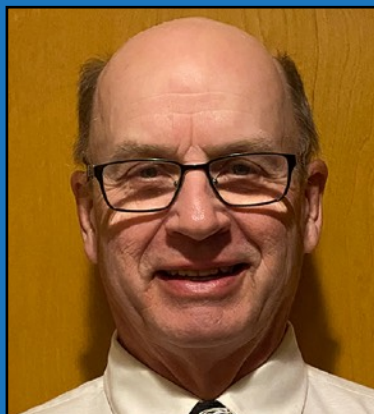
During Romans' 21 years coaching at Nikiski, his teams won eight Class 3A March Madness Alaska state championships and finished runner-up once. The Bulldogs won countless Peninsula Conference titles as well.

“(Romans’) teams were always fundamentally sound and executed the little things that often make the difference in games,” said Kenai Central coach Craig Jung. “The hallmark of those teams was their defense. Teams didn’t get second shots.”

After his time at Nikiski, Romans moved to Anchorage where he coached Grace Christian for four seasons. The Grizzlies earned their first state appearance during that time.

“As an athlete, my brother was special, but as a coach he was inspiring,” Patrick Romans said. “He would never agree to what I’m saying or to the platitudes he’s received he’s always been a very humble leader.”

Romans belongs on a shortlist of the state's greatest basketball coaches.



DEAN OVERBEY

**Administrator
Nenana HS**

2024 Lifetime Achievement Inductee

On the Alaska School Activities Association's map of regional divisions, Region II covers the central and northeastern portion of the state for all the smaller schools along the road system. While Dean Overbey took primary residence in Nenana, his work greatly benefitted everyone in Alaska. Overbey served as Region II's president for 12 years and served as its ASAA board representative from 2002-2013. He was Nenana High's athletic director from 1983-2013.

In 1984, Overbey helped start the Nenana Invitational Basketball Tournament – the NIT – which has become the largest small-schools tournament in Interior Alaska.

“As a high school player and later as a coach, I have personally been part of the NIT and witnessed the impact (it) has on communities throughout Alaska,” said Jimmy Sickler, Susitna Valley coach and current Region II board representative. “In Alaskan context, that tournament evokes all the positive images of life (in rural Alaska).”

While representing Region II, Overbey was instrumental in expanding the Class 1A March Madness Alaska state tournament for schools with a student enrollment of 1-50 students. The changes allowed those schools a more equitable chance to compete for a state title along with their larger counterparts.

“It was never enough for Dean to simply provide an opportunity to youth,” said retired Nenana superintendent Eric Gebhart. “In his actions and results, he communicated to students their worth and they could strive to be better.”



JOHN MILES

Bering Strait Region Nordic Skiing



2024 Lifetime Achievement Inductee

First, John Miles helped create the Bering Strait School District's first Nordic skiing and biathlon out of Koyuk in 1978. A decade later he founded the Western/Interior Ski Association.

Years later, in 2016, he was named the Cross Country Alaska's second Hall of Fame class. He now takes his place among the state's high school legends.

"In the 30-plus years John helped promote these meets and races (around Northwest Alaska), he would travel to every village and fit kids with skis, boots and poles, and he would know all their names," said Paul Lincoln, one of Miles' many athletes. "The kids would all love and revere him."

Miles owned a passion for skiing and for children. The programs he created provided ski support in the forms of training, equipment and exposure for students throughout rural Alaska. His tireless efforts allowed those Alaskans to learn to love skiing and biathlon the same as their counterparts living in urban areas.

"Recognizing the cultural importance of family, John connected the ski program(s) to the network of family members," said Kim Sweeney, who's known Miles for more than 30 years."

Sweeney said Miles always showed respect for the ties that bind people together.

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2006 INDUCTEES - INAUGURAL CLASS



ATHLETE

- John Brown - Ketchikan HS - 1968
- Don Clary - East Anchorage HS - 1975
- Mike Cronk - Walter Northway HS - 1987
- Herb Didrickson - Sheldon Jackson HS - 1946
- Steve Frank - Austin Lathrop HS - 1973
- Elizabeth “Betsy” Haines - East Anchorage HS - 1978
- Nina Kempel - West Anchorage HSI - 1987
- Rocky Klever - West Anchorage HS - 1977
- Chuck Kopp - Cook Inlet Academy - 1983
- Trajan Langdon - East Anchorage HS - 1994
- Butch Lincoln - Kotzebue HS - 1991
- Aelin Peterson - West Valley HS - 1992
- Mark Schlereth - Robert Service HS - 1984
- Brian Swanson - Chugiak HS - 1994
- Molly Tuter - Soldotna HS - 1993
- Kristy Klinnert Waythomas - Kodiak HS - 1987
- Gary Wilken - Austin Lathrop HS - 1964

COACH

- Tom Huffer, Sr - Chugiak HS

ADMINISTRATORS

- Gil Truitt - Mt. Edgecumbe HS
- Les Wells - Anchorage School District & ASAA

CONTRIBUTOR

- First National Bank Alaska



2007 INDUCTEES

ATHLETE

- Gary Beller - West Anchorage HS - 1968
- Carl Blackhurst - Haines HS - 1996
- Yohance Humphrey - Chugiak HS - 1997
- Brit Jacobson Reid - Chugiak HS - 1994
- Ron Pollock - West Anchorage HS - 1968
- Emily Ransom Golick - Seward HS - 1994
- Sarah Olerud Swinton - Haines HS - 1986

COACH

- Joe Floyd - Kodiak High School
- Don Hather - Hoonah/Tok/Skagway HS
- Buck Nystrom - Eielson/North Pole HiS
- Dick Thompson - Dimond/Service HS
- Larry Whitmore - Bartlett HS
- William "Bill" Wiltout - Anchorage/Homer HS

ACTIVITY SPONSOR

- Karen Grussendorf - Sitka High School - 1967-1998

CONTRIBUTOR

- Dave Brann - Homer



2008 INDUCTEES

ATHLETE

- Ann Berdahl - Nikiski HS - 1997
- Jeannie Hebert-Truax - Monroe Catholic High - 1988
- Gary Steeby - Chugiak HS - 1974

COACH

- Robert "Bob" Boudreaux - Soldotna HS - Football
- Dwayne Davies - Kake HS - Basketball
- Reilly Richey - Juneau-Douglas HS - Football
- John W. Tobin - North Pole HS - Wrestling
- Alice Witte - Homer HS - Volleyball

CONTRIBUTOR

- James "Whizzy" Whisenant - Lathrop HS



2009 INDUCTEES

ATHLETE

- Myra Harris - Frank A. Degnan School - 1996
- Matt Mattson - West Valley HS - 1994
- Mara Rabinowitz - West Valley HS - 1984
- Mao Tosi - East Anchorage HS - 1995

COACH

- Dan Eide - Valdez HS
- Lynn Roumagoux - Dimond HS

ACTIVITY PARTICIPANT

- Peter Hilts - Susan B. English School - 1984
- Michael More - West Anchorage HS - 1965

OFFICIAL

- John T. Jones - Anchorage

CONTRIBUTOR

- Spenard Builders Supply

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT

- Richard McCormick - Douglas/Lathrop/Nome/Wrangell



2010 INDUCTEES

ATHLETE

- Carlos Boozer, Jr. - Juneau-Douglas HS - 1999
- David Killpatrick - West Anchorage HS - 1990
- Larry Martin - Homer HS - 1969

ACTIVITY SPONSOR

- Roy McPherson - Ketchikan HS

CONTRIBUTOR

- AT&T Alaska



2011 INDUCTEES

ATHLETE

- Scott Gomez - East Anchorage HS - 1996
- Matt Hemry - Dimond HS - 1986
- Sam Hill - Kotzebue & Nikiski HS - 1996
- Tom Huffer Jr. - Chugiak HS - 1985
- Jessica Moore - Colony HS - 2000
- Kikkan Randall - East Anchorage HS - 2001
- Sarah Sullivan Afoa - Dimond HS - 1979

ADMINISTRATOR

- Richard "Dick" Mize - Anchorage School District

COACH

- Woody Wenstrom - West Valley HS

OFFICIAL

- James Mason - Anchorage



2012 INDUCTEES

ATHLETE

- Steve MacSwain - East Anchorage HS - 1983

ACTIVITY PARTICIPANT

- Vivica Genaux - West Valley HS - 1987
- Richard Cooper - Haines HS - 1984
- Roger Schmidt - Sitka HS - 1987

COACH

- Paul Brauneis - Chugiak HS
- Mike Smithers - Ketchikan HS
- Craig Jung - Kenai Central HS
- Ed Blahous Sr - Chugiak HS

OFFICIAL

- James Paxton - Anchorage

ADMINISTRATOR

- John Andrews - Kenai Peninsula School District

CONTRIBUTOR

- Nordic Ski Association of Anchorage
- Alaska Commercial Company - AC



2013 INDUCTEES

ATHLETE

- Edward Blahaus, Jr. - Chugiak HS - 1985
- Mia Costello - West Anchorage HS - 1986

COACH

- Roger Nelles - Delta Junction/Wasilla HS
- Catherine Rhodes - Colony & Wasilla HS
- Joe Tremerallo - Lathrop HS
- Chuck White - East Anchorage & West Anchorage HS

ADMINISTRATOR

- Ron Gleason - Angoon & Juneau-Douglas HS

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT

- Steve Ivanoff - Unalakleet



2014 INDUCTEES

ATHLETE

- Whitney Leman Schollenberg - Ninilchik School - 2003
- Steve Simmons - Chugiak HS - 1985
- Archie Young - Wrangell HS - 1991

COACH

- Donna Dooley-Diamond HS
- Virgil Hooe - Anchorage School District
- Boyd "Dan" D. Leman - Ninilchik HS
- Dave Reeves - Dimond HS
- Bruce Shearer - Kenai/Anchorage School District

OFFICIAL

- Don Kassube - Anchorage

ACTIVITY SPONSOR

- Richard "Dick" Barker - Tok & Bethel HS
- Pauline Souter - Chugiak HS



2015 INDUCTEES

ATHLETE

- Chris Kuper, Dimond HS - 2001
- Jeremiah Richards, Palmer HS - 1997
- Reggie Tongue, Lathrop HS - 1992

COACH

- Ted DeLeon, West Valley & Ben Eielson HS
- Rex Rock Sr., Pt. Hope HS
- Dave Schroer, Homer HS
- Lancer Smith, Palmer HS
- Mike Zibell, Noorvik HS

ADMINISTRATOR

- Roger Steinbrecher, Seward HS, Sand Point HS

CONTRIBUTOR

- Alaska Airlines
- Nordic Ski Club of Fairbanks



2016 INDUCTEES

ACTIVITY PARTICIPANT

- Victor Barranco - North Pole - 2001

ATHLETE

- Chad Bentz - Juneau-Douglas, - 1999
- Casey Flair - East Anchorage - 2004
- Ian Pitzman - Homer - 1986
- Jed Wade - Wasilla - 2004

COACH

- Don Erickson - Covenant High School, Unalakleet

ADMINISTRATOR

- Dave Dirksen - Wrangell, Annette Island
- Gary Matthews - Haines, ASAA



2017 INDUCTEES

ATHLETE

- Beth Ladd - Homer HS - 1991
- Brad Oleson - North Pole HS- 2001
- Dwayne Jones - Dimond HS - 1980
- Jody Hensen Reding - Homer HS - 1991

COACH

- Dave Cloud - Homer HS
- Bob Durado - West Anchorage & East Anchorage HS
- Earle Walker - Anchorage School District
- George Houston - Juneau-Douglas HS
- Phil Jordan - Alaska High Schools

ADMINISTRATOR

- Teresa Johnson - Anchorage School District

CONTRIBUTOR

- RAVN Alaska - Alaska



2018 INDUCTEES

ACTIVITY PARTICIPANT

- Andrew Vait – Homer HS

ACTIVITY SPONSOR

- Mark Robinson – Homer HS
- Robert Hutton – Hoonah HS
- William Searle – Homer HS

ATHLETE

- Cameron Severson – Petersburg HS
- Daryn Colledge – North Pole HS
- Kyle Fossman – Haines HS
- Leah Francis – Juneau-Douglas HS
- Talisa Rhea – Juneau-Douglas HS

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT

- Al Howard – Soldotna
- Dan Gensel – Kenai Peninsula

OFFICIAL

- Jack Renn – Anchorage
- Ron Henderson – Anchorage/Kenai



2019 INDUCTEES

ATHLETE

- Alev Kelter - Chugiak HS - 2009
- Austin Vanderford - Ninilchik HS - 2008
- Cody Tanner - Chugiak HS - 1978
- Justin Dorn - Juneau-Douglas HS - 2001
- Philip Engebretsen - Homer HS - 1989
- Randy Hanson - Bethel Regional HS - 2010
- Stacia Rustad - Kenai Central HS - 1992

COACH

- Mike Ashley - Anchorage School District
- Vic Belleque - Dillingham HS

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT

- Steve Nerland - Anchorage



2020 INDUCTEES

ACTIVITY PARTICIPANT

- Royal Henderson - Haines HS

ATHLETE

- Alana Clooten - Lathrop HS
- Cayle Byers - Chugiak HS
- Lincoln Johnson - Nikiski HS
- Lorrie Clifford - Chugiak HS
- Mendy Benson - Kenai Central HS
- Sarah Murphy - Service HS

CONTRIBUTOR

- Anita Harry - Homer HS
- Orthopedic Physicians of Alaska

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT

- Bob Barger - Sitka & Anchorage

OFFICIAL

- Clarence Thompson - Anchorage



2021 INDUCTEES

COACH

- Don Witzel - Colony HS

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT

- Hal Spackman - Southeast
- Jean Jackson - Klawock HS

ADMINISTRATOR

- Carrie Rocheleau - Southeast



2022 INDUCTEES

ATHLETE

- Corise Bittner Story - Homer HS

COACH

- Dave Massey - Juneau-Douglas HS

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT

- Merlin Cordes – Kenai Peninsula



2023 INDUCTEES

ACTIVITY SPONSOR

- Stacey Wayne - Sitka HS

ATHLETES

- Allie Ostrander - Kenai Central HS
- Armand Ruffin - Chugiak HS
- Brandon Drumm - Service HS
- Izabelle Ith - Petersburg HS
- Joshua Gemmell - Soldotna HS

COACH

- Milo Griffin - Ben Eielson/Lathrop/West Valley HS
- Robert Rychnovsky - Newhalen HS

OFFICIALS

- Harold Wilson - Anchorage

CONTRIBUTOR

- Bill Stoltze - Chugiak

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT

- Rus Schreckenghost - Anchorage/ASAA



CLASS OF 2024 INDUCTEES

ACTIVITY PARTICIPANT

- Terek Rutherford - South Anchorage HS

ATHLETES

- Carl Arts - Valdez HS
- Jesstina Pili - Barrow HS
- Jordan Clarke - Bartlett HS
- Raymond Douville - Craig HS
- Travis Adams - Barrow HS
- Zack Bowman - Bartlett HS

ATHLETIC COACH

- Bill Jack - Bethel/Kotzebue/Nome HS
- Jim Beeson - Kenai Central HS
- Rod Christiansen - Palmer HS
- Shawn Lundgren - Lathrop/Monroe Catholic/West Valley HS
- Ward Romans - Nikiski/Grace Christian HS

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT

- Dean Overbey - Nenana HS
- John Miles - Bering Strait Region



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