



Rio Hondo Community College

Physical Education Division

The Rio Hondo College Athletic Hall of Fame is being established in 2010. Induction honors outstanding individuals (student-athletes, coaches and meritorious) while at Rio Hondo College. The intercollegiate athletic programs for Rio Hondo College started in the 1964 with the men's competition and 1981 for women's competition.

Each year the Rio Hondo College Hall of Fame Committee, through the Division of Physical Education, reviews nominations for the Athletic Hall of Fame. Any alumnus/a or friend of the college may make nominations for this award. The nominees should meet the following criteria in order to be considered for the honor.

1. Statement of Purpose

To recognize members of the Roadrunner family who have distinguished themselves as outstanding contributors to the institution, athletics, community and beyond, by instilling a continuing commitment to, and the promotion of, the values and philosophy of scholarship, sportsmanship and skill including fairness, dedication, perseverance, winning without boasting and losing without excuse.

- ❖ To enhance the institution and the Roadrunner Athletic Department
- ❖ To honor those involved in the success of Roadrunner Athletics
- ❖ To pay tribute to outstanding achievements

2. Eligibility Requirements:

- 2.1. Have been a full-time student at Rio Hondo College for at least one year and
- 2.2. Those who have participated in Roadrunner athletics, having earned a letter in a particular sport. In addition, the individual also may have received honors such as all conference, region, all-American, or academic.
- 2.3. At least five years shall have elapsed since participation before the individual is considered or
- 2.4. Former Athletic coaches at the college.
- 2.5. Those who have given meritorious service or have been a loyal friend to the Roadrunner athletic program.

3. Categories

- 3.1. Student-Athlete (any sport which has been sponsored)
- 3.2. Athletic Coach
- 3.3. Honorary (any coach or student-athlete who has brought honor to the athletic program by outstanding achievement)
- 3.4. Meritorious Service (any individual who has made outstanding contribution to the athletic program or any sport sponsored by Rio Hondo College.)

4. Criteria

4.1.Student-Athlete

- 4.1.1. The nominee must have been a full time student-athlete for one year.
- 4.1.2. The nominee is not eligible for nomination until five years after he/she has competed at Rio Hondo College.
- 4.1.3. The nominee must have attained recognition in the sport in which he/she is being honored.
- 4.1.4. The nominee must have been in good standing while competing on the athletic team.
- 4.1.5. Suggested guidelines for consideration:
 - 4.1.5.1.All-Conference First Team selection
 - 4.1.5.2.All-American selection
 - 4.1.5.3.A holder of a school, district, state or national record
 - 4.1.5.4.Academic honors or awards
 - 4.1.5.5.Conference titles and or awards

4.2.Coach

- 4.2.1. The nominee must have coached a minimum of ten (10) years in the sport in which he/she is being recognized.
- 4.2.2. Five years of his/her coaching experience must have been at Rio Hondo College.
- 4.2.3. The nominee must have attained significant recognition in his/her field.
- 4.2.4. The nominee must have been judged to have made significant contributions to the Rio Hondo student-athletes, school or sport.
- 4.2.5. Suggested guidelines for consideration:
 - 4.2.5.1.Season / career / overall records
 - 4.2.5.2.Conference, state or national awards
 - 4.2.5.3.Grade point average, transfers, etc.
 - 4.2.5.4.Significant professional recognition

4.3.Honorary

- 4.3.1. Former Rio Hondo College student-athletes or coaches may be nominated who have made outstanding contributions to Roadrunner athletics through recognition of high achievement and who may not meet the required criteria in student-athlete or coach categories.

4.4.Meritorious Service

- 4.4.1. The nominee must have proven himself/herself in service to Rio Hondo College or in service to the sport in which he/she is being recognized.
- 4.4.2. Must have demonstrated a strong and preferably unique interest in Rio Hondo.
- 4.4.3. Individual must have made a positive and significant impact on the institution.
- 4.4.4. Long periods of support and service to the institution, division, or athletic department.
- 4.4.5. Sever disability or death, as a result of athletic participation

5. Material Required for each Nominee:

- 5.1. Nomination form filled out completely
- 5.2. Letters of Recommendation, in support of the nominee form
- 5.3. List of awards or qualifications
- 5.4. A recent photograph of the nominee

6. Members of the Athletic Hall of Fame Committee

- 6.1. The Athletic Hall of Fame Committee will consist of a minimum of five (5) members including:
 - 6.2. Current Division Dean / Athletic Director at Rio Hondo College
 - 6.3. Current Athletic Coordinator at Rio Hondo College
 - 6.4. At least one Foundation Board representative
 - 6.5. At least two current Roadrunner coach
 - 6.6. All committee members have full voting privileges concerning committee actions.
 - 6.7. The official year of the committee will be the Rio Hondo College fiscal year.
 - 6.8. The purpose of the committee is to review nominees for the Athletic Hall of Fame and select inductees into the Athletic Hall of Fame for recognition at an awards ceremony.

7. Selection process and recognition

- 7.1. Names for nominations may be submitted to the committee during the appropriate time frame for that year's selection process.
- 7.2. Names for nominations may be submitted to the committee at anytime by anyone
- 7.3. Members of the Athletic Hall of Fame Committee are excluded from nomination during their term of service.
- 7.4. No more than (10) candidates may be enrolled within the first year of the Rio Hondo College Athletic Hall of Fame and no more than eight (8) each year thereafter. This excludes the induction of teams.
- 7.5. The Rio Hondo College Athletic Hall of Fame will work with the college Foundation Office to present the inductees with appropriate recognition.

8. The Awards

- 8.1. Members name, sport and years of participation will be permanently and prominently displayed in the Rio Hondo College Champions Hall.
- 8.2. Each individual or, if deceased, the appropriate next of kin or friend, will receive the plaque. The plaque will be annotated with the following:
- 8.3. Each individual or, if deceased, the appropriate next of kin or friend, will receive an Athletic Hall of Fame Medallion.
- 8.4. Each individual or, if deceased, the appropriate next of kin or friend, will receive a lifetime athletic pass inscribed with the individual's name and date of presentation.
- 8.5. The recipient and guest will be invited to participate in the Athletic Hall of Fame Banquet so designated by the committee.

9. Presentation of the Awards

- 9.1. Awards will be presented at one or more of the following events:
- 9.2. During intermission at the appropriate sporting event
- 9.3. At the Athletic Hall of Fame Banquet
- 9.4. Any other appropriate function

10. Nomination Procedure

10.1. Nominations, in writing, may be submitted by anyone to the Athletic Director. All nominations should detail the nominee's accomplishments and any other important information. Nominations must be received in the Athletic Department office or postmarked no later than March 15th of the current year. Nominations procedures and requisites for the Athletic Hall of Fame should be publicized in the campus publications, Athletic web site, and any other appropriate publications, well in advance.

11. Selection Process

11.1. The selection committee will meet as soon as possible after the nominations closing date

11.2. The committee should strive for full attendance at their meetings. However, a quorum must exist to vote nominees into the Hall of Fame.

11.3. The committee may use any voting or elimination process it deems appropriate, subject to approval of the athletic director.