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David Kuhn Named NFHS Coach of the Year

Eleven coaches from Pennsylvania earn NFHS Section 2 honors.

MECHANICSBURG, PA – The Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association, Inc. (PIAA) is pleased to announce Peters Township High School boys' golf coach David Kuhn has been named the National Coach of the Year by the National Federation of High School Associations (NFHS) for the 2023-24 calendar year. Kuhn is one of 24 individuals honored across the country by the NFHS Coaches Association. He is the only coach to represent Pennsylvania on the national list.

Throughout his 25 years as the boys' golf coach, Kuhn has guided Peters Township to over 400 wins, including six District VII titles, seven undefeated seasons, and the 2023 PIAA Boys' Team Golf Championship. A psychology and leadership teacher, he has developed over 35 student-athletes that have taken their talents to the next level, playing golf at a collegiate institution. Four of his former golfers have played on various professional tours.

Kuhn's coaching philosophy revolves around the cornerstones of his program to include both accountability and personal discipline, on and off the course. It's the guiding philosophy that Kuhn has utilized since his hiring as the school's boys' golf coach in 2000. During that time, Peters Township has won one PIAA Boys' Team Golf Championship title in 2023 and has finished runner-up three times. Along with his coaching duties, Kuhn serves as Co-Chairman of the District VII Golf Steering Committee, assisting with golf championships at the district and state levels.

The honors for Kuhn do not stop there. He joins ten other coaches from Pennsylvania to have earned state and NFHS Section 2 honors: **George "Kip" Christopher Emig, III** (Hatboro-Horsham HS) – Girls' Swimming and Diving, **Amy Orcutt** (Conestoga HS) – Girls' Lacrosse, **Tom Meling** (Slippery Rock HS) – Boys' Outdoor Track and Field, **David Kuhn** (Peters Township HS) – Boys' Golf, **David Marrington, Jr.** (Council Rock North HS) – Boys' Cross Country, **Shawn Leydig** (South Fayette HS) – Boys' Lacrosse, **Heather Boyer** (Upper Dublin HS) – Girls' Softball, **Carol Ann Cecere** (Forest Hills HS) – Girls' Basketball, **Teri Maser** (Greater Johnston HS) – Competitive Spirit, **Jody Karam** (Easton HS) – Boys' Wrestling, and **Tiffany Cappellano** (Oley Valley HS) – Field Hockey. Section 2 is the NFHS region Pennsylvania is a member of, along with the states of Ohio, Kentucky, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, Delaware and District of Columbia.



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You can't seem to keep Kuhn away from the course. When he's not in school or coaching high school golf, he also works as a professional golf instructor. Kuhn oversees a large junior golf program, introducing countless young people to the game of golf. He's currently spearheading a project to develop an on-campus golf practice facility that will include a driving range, practice greens and sand traps.

The NFHS Coach of the Year honors began in 1982. Kuhn is just the second coach from Pennsylvania to be named Coach of the Year. Loyalsock Township Senior High School's Ron Insinger was the first named National Boys' Basketball Coach of the Year in the 2020-2021 season when Insinger became the all-time winningest basketball coach in Pennsylvania.

The PIAA congratulates all the coaches listed above for this tremendous honor. Coaches dedicate countless hours to the student-athletes and strive for success not only on the field but also in the classroom and in their communities. Their commitment and devotion don't go unnoticed.

[Full NFHS Article on 2023-24 Coaches of the Year.](#)

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