



PIAA/NFHS COACHES OF THE YEAR

TWENTY-FIVE COACHES HONORED FROM THE 2024-2025 SEASON

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Mechanicsburg, PA — PIAA is proud to announce the 25 coaches selected as the **PIAA/NFHS Coaches of the Year** for the 2024–2025 school year. The nominations are submitted by school administrators, Pennsylvania Coaches Associations, the PIAA Board of Directors, and PIAA Executive Staff. The honorees are chosen for their significant impact on their respective sports programs, the success of their teams, their commitment to PIAA, and their demonstration of outstanding sportsmanship throughout the year.

“Education-based athletics is a vital part of the high school experience, and it thrives because of the passion and commitment of our member school coaches, said **Dr. Robert Lombardi, PIAA Executive Director**. Their dedication leaves a lasting impact on the lives of student-athletes every day. On behalf of the PIAA Board of Directors, PIAA member schools, and all registered officials, we proudly congratulate these individuals on being named the 2024–2025 PIAA/NFHS Coaches of the Year.”

Over the past nine years, PIAA has recognized more than 190 coaches through the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) Coach of the Year program. Of those honorees, more than 45 have gone on to earn **Sectional Coach of the Year** recognition. These awards are determined by the geographic sections in which states are grouped. NFHS is divided into eight regions nationwide, with **Section 2 – Mid-East** including Delaware, Washington, D.C., Kentucky, Maryland, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and West Virginia.

PIAA is especially proud that three of its Sectional Coaches of the Year have gone on to earn **National Coach of the Year** honors:

- **2020–2021:** Ron Insinger (Loyalsock HS), NFHS National Boys’ Basketball Coach of the Year
- **2021–2022:** William Pfeifer Jr. (Moon HS), NFHS National Girls’ Soccer Coach of the Year
- **2023–2024:** David Kuhn (Peters Township HS), NFHS National Boys’ Golf Coach of the Year

Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association

Beginning in Pittsburgh, on December 29, 1913, PIAA was given the privilege of serving its member schools and registered officials by establishing policies and adopting contest rules that emphasize the educational values of interscholastic athletics, promote safe and sportsmanlike competition, and provide uniform standards for all interscholastic levels of competition.



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	SPORT	COACH	SCHOOL	DISTRICT
BOYS	Baseball	Kent Hendershot	Southern Fulton HS	5
	Basketball	Paul Blackburn	Hershey HS	3
	Cross Country	Randy Wilson	Central Cambria HS	6
	Football (11-Player)	Jim Smith	Troy HS	4
	Golf	Robert Patula	Westmont Hilltop HS	6
	Lacrosse	Tom Lemieux	Springfield Delco HS	1
	Soccer	Matt Billman	Cumberland Valley HS	3
	Swimming & Diving	Patrick Wenzel	North Allegheny HS	7
	Tennis	Ryan Knarr	Conrad Weiser HS	3
	Track & Field	Jared Jones	Quaker Valley HS	7
	Volleyball	Terry Ranck	Cumberland Valley HS	3
	Wrestling	Anthony (Tony) Haley	Boyertown Area HS	1
GIRLS	Basketball	John Russo	Perkiomen Valley HS	1
	Cross Country	Therese Brown	Cathedral Prep HS	10
	Field Hockey	Wendy Byers	West Perry HS	3
	Golf	Maci Seibel	Manheim Township HS	3
	Lacrosse	Keith Broome	Springfield Delco HS	1
	Soccer	Gino Miraglia	Strath Haven HS	1
	Softball	Ryan Leffler	Pine Grove Area HS	11
	Swimming & Diving	Brandon Pierce	Upper Dublin HS	1
	Tennis	Cliff Raben	Lower Moreland HS	1
	Track & Field	Anthony Pace	Souderton HS	1
	Volleyball	Kelly Goodsel	Corry HS	10
	Wrestling	Jodi Furman	Montgomery HS	4
	Competitive Spirit	Nicole Cox	Hickory HS	10