

# Olathe Public Schools Alumni Association Wall of Honor

## *Distinguished Person of Honor*

To perpetuate the tradition of excellence and inspire current students, outstanding individuals are selected for the Distinguished Person of Honor recognition. The purpose of this prestigious award is to recognize current or former Olathe Public Schools staff for lifetime achievements. Visit [www.olatheschools.com/alumni](http://www.olatheschools.com/alumni) for additional information.

### **What are the eligibility requirements?**

(1) Candidates for the Distinguished Person of Honor recognition must be current or former employees of the Olathe Public Schools; and (2) must have made a positive impact and/or great achievement in at least one of the following areas: personal and/or professional life; community/ humanitarian service; or commitment to educational excellence in the Olathe Public Schools.

### **How are honorees selected?**

A committee of the Olathe Public Schools Alumni Association makes a recommendation to the alumni association board for final selection.

### **Is there a deadline?**

March 1 is the deadline for the current year, but nominations are accepted on an ongoing basis throughout the year.

### **When did this project begin?**

The first Distinguished Person of Honor was recognized in 2012.

### **Is there an actual wall?**

Yes, plaques listing the honorees by year are on display in the lobby of the Education Center, 14160 Black Bob Road, Olathe, Kansas. In addition we have a touch-screen computer kiosk showcasing each honoree's photo and biography.

### **Additional information:**

Nominees will not be discriminated against on the basis of race, creed, religion, sex, nationality, disability, economic status or marital status. The award may be bestowed posthumously. The Olathe Public Schools Alumni Association Executive Board retains the right to remove names from the Wall of Honor.

2012 Distinguished Person of Honor — Ralph Dennis

2013 Distinguished Person of Honor — Ed Badsy Sr.

2014 Distinguished Person of Honor — Ruth Ann Hackler

2015 Distinguished Person of Honor — Bob Blackman

2016 Distinguished Person of Honor — Margaret Barron and Texanna Ollenberger

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## *Distinguished Person of Honor Nomination Form*

Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Step 1: Basic Nominee Information

Name of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Dates of Employment in the Olathe School District (e.g. 1991-2015): \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation(s) with the school district: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

Circle area of positive impact or great achievement:

personal and/or professional life

community/humanitarian service

commitment to education

### Step 2: Nominee Profile

(A) Write a letter explaining why this nominee deserves Distinguished Person of Honor recognition on the Olathe Public Schools Alumni Association Wall of Honor. Multiple letters of recommendation from several people are encouraged.

(B) List any special awards and honors received. May include high school, post-secondary, professional and/or lifetime.

(C) Include any additional relevant or supporting documentation such as newspaper clippings, etc.

### Step 3: Nominator Contact Information

Nominator Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

### Step 4: Return Form and Supporting Materials

Please mail all materials to:

Olathe Public Schools Alumni Association

315 N. Lindenwood

Olathe, Kansas 66062

Phone: 913.780.8182 Fax: 913.780.8104

\* Photocopies of this form are acceptable

**\*\*Only nomination forms with all three steps (1-3) completed will be accepted for consideration\*\***