



2023-2024

# AWARDS PACKAGE

APPLICATION DEADLINE: MARCH 4, 2024 AT 4PM

**WOMEN IN SPORTS & LEADERSHIP** 

## **HONOUR AWARD**

The highest form of distinction BCSS can bestow upon an individual. This award is presented to an individual in recognition of a lifetime of service to school sports. The recipient is an individual who has demonstrated prolonged and distinguished service to BC School Sports, their zone local association, and school. This person has made a significant difference in the role of BCSS and the impact it has on the lives of student-athletes and our member schools.

## **BCSS MEDIA PERSON OF THE YEAR**

Recognizing an individual in the media who has highlighted and celebrated school sport in their reporting. The nominee has continued to bring attention to BCSS, its member schools and student-athletes by showcasing the very best of school sport in BC. The recipient may be employed by traditional media outlets, but those who use blogs, social media, podcasts, or other emerging platforms to consistently promote school sports may be considered.

### **CRITERIA:**

· Currently active or retired for no more than 3 years

#### The submission must include:

- · Examples of articles, images, video or other pieces of coverage
- · Minimum of 2 references of support

## WOMEN IN SPORTS & LEADERSHIP

This award is to recognize the servant leadership of women in school sports. The recipient is a role model to colleagues and student-athletes alike. The recipient has made a tangible impact on school sport and has demonstrated commitment to their student-athletes, their school, and their sport.

## **CRITERIA:**

- Must be, or have been a coach, athletic director, school or district administrator, or educator at a BCSS member school
- Have made contributions to their school, zone, and/or BCSS while promoting girls sports and participation
- Have encouraged and mentored girls and women for positions as athletic directors, coaches, officials, and related leadership positions in sports

## INSPIRATIONAL SCHOOL

Recognizing a school whose special commitment to improving the lives of student-athletes and staff through leadership and public service. This school has contributed significantly to the welfare of school athletics and the local community.

### **CRITERIA:**

- Administration has showcased support to the athletics department
- The school has created a culture that reflects BCSS values
- · Found creative new ways to improve student-athlete experience

## CITATION OF EXCELLENCE

## COACH

Recognizing an outstanding coach and their distinguished contributions to their sport and athletes. The recipient of this award guides student-athletes to success through the philosophy of fair play and sportsmanship for a sustained period, while displaying values consistent with BCSS and school sport.

### **CRITERIA:**

- · Currently coaching at a BCSS Member School or no more than 2 years removed from last coaching position
- May be a educator, school district employee or community coach, although consideration will be given to longevity of service

## **OFFICIAL**

Recognizing an outstanding individual and their distinguished contributions to the officiating of school sport. The recipient of this award has demonstrated outstanding commitment to school sport, being recognized as a quality official while displaying the values of BCSS and fair play.

#### **CRITERIA:**

- Must be, or have been active in an official's association with a constant presence at school games and BCSS championships
- · Has contributed to the development of officials

## **ADMINISTRATOR**

Recognizing the invaluable contributions from an administrator to school sport. The recipient has shown demonstrable leadership and sustainable support to athletic programs, athletic directors and coaches while contributing to the promotion and enhancement of athletic programs and the student-athlete experience at the school and/or district level.

### **CRITERIA:**

· Must be, or have been an administrator at a BCSS member school or at a BC school district

### The submission must include:

Letter of support from coach and/or athletic director

## **ATHLETIC DIRECTOR**

Recognizing an outstanding individual for excellence as an athletic director and the hard work and dedication shown to improve the student-athlete experience, enhance the school's athletic program, and build the school community at large. The Athletic Director leads by example and consistently demonstrates the values of their school and BC School Sports while finding new creative ways to support their coaches and student-athletes.

### **CRITERIA:**

- Must be an Athletic Director at a BCSS member school or no more than 2 years removed from last serving in that role
- · Consideration will be given to longevity and impact in the role