



## News Release

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### **OHSAA Selects 67 Schools as Recipients of the Harold A. Meyer Sportsmanship Award**

*Bay Village Bay receives award for eighteenth straight year*

**COLUMBUS, Ohio** – Sixty-seven high schools and 7th-8th grade schools have been selected as 2008-09 recipients of The Ohio High School Athletic Association Harold A. Meyer Award for Sportsmanship, Ethics and Integrity. The awards are presented to schools that demonstrate they have completed an eight-part program that promotes sportsmanship, ethics and integrity in their schools and communities.

The recipients are selected by the OHSAA's Sportsmanship, Ethics and Integrity Committee and were approved by the OHSAA Board of Directors at its regularly scheduled monthly meeting September 10.

The eight-part program schools are required to exhibit in order to be considered for the award include:

- A written Board of Education policy on sportsmanship, ethics and integrity in extracurricular activities;
- A broad-based sportsmanship, ethics and integrity committee to coordinate the planning and implementation of a sportsmanship, ethics and integrity program;
- Presentations throughout the school year to coaches, athletes, parents, fans and support groups emphasizing the school's philosophy on sportsmanship, ethics and integrity;
- An ongoing campaign that promotes sportsmanship, ethics and integrity;
- An annual evaluation of all coaches in the areas of instruction and demonstration of sportsmanship, ethics and integrity;
- A procedure for receiving, investigating and acting upon complaints regarding sportsmanship, ethics and integrity;
- A plan for dealing with critical situations such as heated rivalries, overflow crowds and unruly spectators, and
- A program for acknowledging/rewarding examples of good sportsmanship, ethics and integrity.

Bay Village Bay High School has been a recipient all 18 years since the awards began, while other schools that have won the Harold Meyer Award several times include Coshocton (14 times); Clayton Northmont (13 times), and Medina Highland and The Plains Athens (12 times each). Five schools received the award for the first time.

The awards began in 1992 and are named in honor of the late Harold A. Meyer, commissioner of the OHSAA from 1969 to 1977. Winners are presented a banner at a school assembly or athletic event.

The entire list of recipients follows.

## OHSAA Sportsmanship Award Winners

High School Recipients	Years Have Won Award
Avon .....	9
Avon Lake .....	7
Batavia Amelia .....	5
Bay Village Bay .....	18
Chagrin Falls Kenston .....	6
Cincinnati Aiken .....	1
Cincinnati LaSalle.....	9
Cincinnati Madeira .....	7
Cincinnati Mariemont.....	2
Cincinnati Oak Hills .....	1
Cincinnati Seven Hills School.....	3
Cincinnati St. Ursula Academy.....	5
Cincinnati Taft .....	1
Clayton Northmont .....	13
Cleveland Cuyahoga Heights .....	5
Columbus Africentric Early College .....	7
Columbus Beechcroft .....	6
Columbus Bishop Hartley .....	5
Columbus Bishop Watterson .....	6
Columbus Briggs.....	7
Columbus Brookhaven .....	6
Columbus Centennial .....	7
Columbus East .....	7
Columbus Eastmoor Academy.....	9
Columbus Independence .....	10
Columbus Linden McKinley .....	10
Columbus Marion-Franklin .....	7
Columbus Mifflin.....	8
Columbus Northland.....	7
Columbus South .....	7
Columbus Walnut Ridge .....	7
Columbus West.....	7
Columbus Whetstone .....	7
Coshocton .....	14
Dayton Chaminade-Julienne .....	9

High School Recipients	Years Have Won Award
Germantown Valley View .....	9
Grafton Midview .....	5
Granville .....	5
Hamilton Ross .....	8
Hilliard Davidson .....	10
Independence .....	6
Johnstown-Monroe.....	8
Loveland .....	9
Medina Highland .....	12
Morrow Little Miami.....	9
North Ridgeville .....	2
Pepper Pike Orange.....	4
Perry.....	8
Rossford.....	1
Stow-Munroe Falls .....	3
The Plains Athens.....	12
Vandalia Butler.....	7
West Carrollton .....	2
Westlake .....	3
Wilmington.....	8

7th-8th Grade School Recipients	Years Have Won Award
Ashville Teays Valley M.S .....	6
Cincinnati Nagel M.S .....	7
Cleveland Cuyahoga Heights M.S. ....	5
Dublin Sells M.S. ....	2
Germantown Valley View M.S.....	4
Grafton Midview M.S.....	4
Lewis Center Olentangy Orange M.S. ....	5
Lewis Center Olentangy Shanahan M.S.....	7
Munroe Falls Kimpton M.S. ....	2
Powell Olentangy Hyatts M.S.....	2
Powell Olentangy Liberty M.S.....	2
Tontogany Otsego Junior High School .....	1

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