

2021 Hall of Fame Inductee – Brad Ewest



Brad Ewest has always enjoyed competing and coaching. While growing up in Waseca, Minnesota, he enjoyed playing baseball as a kid and continued to play all through high school. While playing in high school he was named the MVP of his team. He enjoyed the sport so much that after graduating he went on to play at Waldorf College.

After attending Waldorf for two years, Brad continued his education at Wartburg College where he received his bachelor's degree in Education. For the last 45 years, he has taught and coached over 120 athletic teams in baseball, basketball, and track. As a baseball coach for 43 years, 28 of which he was head coach, Brad had a record of 458 – 256 and received conference coach of the year 7 times.

After moving to Ankeny in 2011 and running in the Boston Marathon, Brad began competing in the Iowa Senior Games. Since he began competing, he has won 133 medals with 55 of those being gold and currently holds 6 records in the Soccer Accuracy Kick, Football Accuracy Throw, Basketball Shooting competitions, and most recently the Power Walk. Brad's favorite events are the Track & Field running events and the other events he can compete in when not feeling 100%.

Brad's most memorable moment in the Iowa Senior Games is going 15 for 15 in the Basketball Shooting Free Throws and 14 for 15 in the Basketball Shooting Around the World competition. He also enjoys doing the distance races as it makes him feel good after training for the event and finishing the race.

When Brad is not competing, he enjoys spending time with his family and woodworking. He enjoys coaching and chasing after his 6 grandkids. Brad is thankful that the Lord has blessed him with good health and says, "it is an honor for him to compete against so many fine athletes." He currently resides in Ankeny.