

JOEL ESKELSEN INDUCTED IN 2004 (Plaque #148)

JOEL BEGAN HIS COACHING CAREER IN 1973 AND COACHED AT THE FOLLOWING SCHOOLS:

- 1973 1974 BLAIR HIGH SCHOOL (BLAIR, NEBRASKA)
- 1974 1982 DECATUR HIGH SCHOOL (DECATUR, NEBRASKA)
- **1982 2004 BIG PINEY HIGH SCHOOL (BIG PINEY, WYOMING)**

HIS CAREER ENCOMPASSED 33 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE AS OF 2006. NOTED FOR HIS SUCCESS IN FOOTBALL AND TRACK, JOEL HAD AN OVERALL RECORD, IN FOOTBALL, OF 191 WINS AND 94 LOSSES, INCLUDING 10 CONFERENCE & DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIPS, 2 STATE RUNNER-UP TITLES, AND 5 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS. IN TRACK HE HAD AN OVERALL RECORD OF 16 BOYS CONFERENCE & REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS, 8 GIRLS CONFERENCE & REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS, 6 STATE RUNNER-UP TITLES, AND 5 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS (BOYS).

DURING HIS COACHING CAREER, JOEL ACHIEVED THE FOLLOWING:

- NIAAA & WIAAA STATE AWARD OF MERIT 1991 & 1999.
- WIAAA ATHLETIC DIRECTOR OF THE YEAR 1994-95.
- WCA PRESIDENT 1996-97.
- WIAAA NANCY NAKAHARA DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD 1999 & 2000.
- NHSACA NATIONAL COACH OF THE YEAR IN BOTH BOYS TRACK 2000 AND FOOTBALL 2002.
- NATIONAL INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ADMINISTRATORS ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS FROM 2001 - 2005.
- WIAAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS 18 YEARS.
- WCA'S BILL FARTHING DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD WINNER 2002.
- PRESIDENT OF THE NIAAA 2004.
- WCA HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE 2004.
- NATIONAL FEDERATION (NFHS) CITATION AWARD 2005.
- NHSACA HALL OF FAME 2006.
- NIAAA DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD 2006.