



## 2023 IWCOA Award Nominees



### **Administrator of the Year**

#### **Class 1A**

Jeff Baughman, LeRoy  
Dave Ferrenburg, El Paso (E.P.-Gridley)  
Tim Gipe, Sandwich  
Jim Kann, Byron  
Aaron Sovern, Yorkville (Christian)

#### **Class 2A**

Jim O'Brien, Joliet Catholic  
Ron Dwyer, Peoria (Richwoods)  
Todd Hannaford, Civic Memorial  
Rich Harvey, Rochelle  
Herb Knoblach, Washington

#### **Class 3A**

Luke Engelhardt, Yorkville  
Peter Goff, DeKalb  
John Kane, Conant  
Dan Lacount, Chicago Mt. Carmel  
Jim Richter, St. Charles (East)  
Mike Sommerfeld, St. Charles (East)

### **Newsman of the Year**

Curt Herron, IWCOA Feature Writer  
Michael Garafola, The Daily Herald  
TC Lifonti, Illinois Matmen  
Izzy Martinez, Illinois Matmen  
Jim Mattson, WEEK TV-Peoria

### **Official of the Year**

Roy Acree, Gibson City  
Ray Eickelschulte, Fowler  
Ryan McMurray, Darien  
Dan McDonnell, Morris  
Derek Ryan, Kankakee  
Jason Salley, Elgin



## 2023 IWCOA Award Nominees



### **Outstanding Wrestler**

#### **Class 1A**

Phoenix Blakely, Dakota  
Dax Gentes, El Paso (E.P.-Gridley)  
Isaiah Gonzalez, Elmhurst (IC Catholic)  
Paul Ishikawa, Glasford (Illini Bluffs)  
Nick Nosler, Tolono (Unity)  
Tyson Waughtel, Carlyle  
Noah Wenzel, Dakota

#### **Class 2A**

Mateo Casillas, Mahomet (M.-Seymour)  
Dillan Johnson, Joliet (Catholic Academy)  
Gauge Shipp, Galesburg  
Gylon Sims, Joliet (Catholic Academy)  
Kannon Webster, Washington  
Abe Wojcikiewicz, Bethalto (Civic Memorial)

#### **Class 3A**

Nolan Allen, West Chicago  
Ben Alvarez, Yorkville  
Nasir Bailey, Richton Park (Rich Township)  
Ben Davino, St. Charles (East)  
Sergio Lemley, Chicago (Mt. Carmel)  
Seth Mendoza, Chicago (Mt. Carmel)  
Chris Moore, McHenry  
Dom Munaretto, St. Charles (East)

#### **Girls**

Angelina Cassioppi, Rockton (Hononegah)  
Cadence Diduch, Freeport  
Gabriella Gomez, Carol Stream (Glenbard North)  
Sydney Perry, Batavia  
Attalia Watson-Castro, Flossmoor (Homewood-F.)

### **Scholastic Wrestler of the Year**

#### **Class 1A**

Noah Carl, Toledo (Cumberland)  
Dax Gentes, El Paso (E.P.-Gridley)  
Dresden Grimm, Auburn  
Garrett Luke, Lena (L.-Winslow)  
Tyler Martinez, Yorkville (Christian)  
Owen Miller, Vandalia  
Jake Piatak, Coal City  
Braiden Young, Coal City

#### **Class 2A**

Brandon Bray, Chatham (Glenwood)  
Alex Haamrick, Chatham (Glenwood)  
Blake Henrichson, Washington  
William Prater, Lombard (Montini)  
Karl Schmalz, Niles (Notre Dame)  
Kannon Webster, Washington  
Abraham Wojcikiewicz, Bethalto (Civic Memorial)



## 2023 IWCOA Award Nominees



### **Class 3A**

Ben Alvarez, Yorkville  
William Baysinger, Mt. Prospect (Prospect)  
Dominic Ducato, Algonquin (Jacobs)  
Jameson Garcia, Aurora (Marmion Academy)  
Jacob Lachs, Glen Ellyn (Glenbard West)  
Luke Liberatore, Chicago (Marist)  
Peter Marinopoulos, Chicago (Marist)  
Sean Scheck, Aurora (Marmion Academy)

### **Girls**

Khatija Ahmed, Glen Ellyn (Glenbard West)  
Kala Fernandez, Barrington  
Maria Ferrer, Elgin (Larkin)  
Aaliyah Grandberry, Chicago (Curie)  
Antonia Phillips, Alton  
Attalia Watson-Castro, Flossmoor (Homewood-F.)

## **Assistant Coach of the Year**

### **Class 1A**

Zach Berman, Coal City  
Joe Cliffe, El Paso (E.P.-Gridley)  
Jim Looper, Coal City  
Brody Vester, Yorkville Christian  
Joe Widlowski, Coal City  
Gary Wilmarth, Auburn

### **Class 2A**

Nelson Baker, Rochelle  
Aaron Cohen, Deerfield  
Ryan Jauch, Wauconda  
Jessie Montez, Geneseo  
Matt Webster, Washington

### **Class 3A**

Joe Barczak, St. Charles East  
Ryan Ferguson, Yorkville  
Joe Fornell, Yorkville  
Grant Hoerr, Park Ridge (Maine South)  
Conrad Polz, Hinsdale Central  
Sam Walt, Dekalb



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### Coach of the Year

#### **Class 1A**

Jordan Blanton, Marian Central Catholic  
Mike Glosser, Fithian (Oakwood)  
Mark Masters, Coal City  
Kevin Milder, Lena-Winslow  
Logan Patton, Unity  
Mike Vester, Yorkville Christian

#### **Class 2A**

Derrick Crenshaw, Glenbard South  
Rob Ledin, Mahomet-Seymour  
Nick Miller, Washington  
Jon Murrary, Geneseo  
Joel Stockwell, Rock Island

#### **Class 3A**

Tyrone Byrd, Lincoln-Way Central  
Matt Collum, Loyola Academy  
Shane Cook, Stevenson  
Sean Lovelace, Downers Grove South  
Jake Oster, Yorkville  
Jason Potter, St. Charles East  
Matt Yan, Chicago (Lane Tech)

#### **Girls**

Fred Arkin, Oak Park River Forest  
Matt Gruszka, Schaumburg  
Conor Infeilise, DeKalb  
Rob Penney, Peoria (Richwoods)  
Carley Rusk, Geneseo  
Paige Schoolman, Minooka  
Liz Short, Joliet (Twp)