



LAKEWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS HALL OF FAME

Proclamation

WHEREAS The Lakewood Public Schools Hall of Fame is a tribute to men and women who have made exceptional contributions to society, achieved extraordinary success, exhibited good character and action, bringing honor and prestige to Lakewood High School. Hall of Fame inductees are recognized as outstanding role models for our students and have reached above and beyond the ordinary.

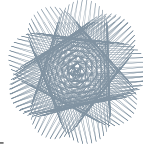
WHEREAS Mr. Mark Farrell, is formally inducted into the Lakewood Public Schools Hall of Fame by the nominating committee, for excellence and dedication.

WHEREAS Mark is a Lakewood High School alumnus, graduating from the class of 1975. Mr. Farrell was a highly respected teacher at Clarksville, and Lakewood Middle School from 1979 – 2015. His care and dedication of Lakewood students helped guide generations of youth to achieve success, give their best, and become respectful citizens. Mark is regarded as a man of extremely high character, instilling in his students the importance of family, gratitude, and giving back to the community. Mr. Farrell was a skilled teacher, consummate professional and role model, who consistently demonstrated the hallmarks of a lifelong educator.

WHEREAS Mr. Farrell served as a basketball coach at Lakewood Middle and High Schools. Mr. Farrell's defensive mastermind, leadership, sportsmanship, and hard work led the varsity basketball teams to the 1975 Lakewood State Championship, at least 8 District Championships, Capital Circuit League Championships, and a force against all competitors. Mr. Farrell instilled in his athletes the values of teamwork, respect, focus, moral integrity, and what it means to earn success through hard work, dedication, and discipline. Mr. Farrell's gift of coaching different groups of students is a testament to his hard work ethic and good character. His student athletes have competed at University of Michigan, Michigan State University, Grand Valley State University, Middlebury College, Calvin College, Hope College, The College of William and Mary, and Lake Superior State University.

WHEREAS Mr. Farrell is a true friend to many and a dedicated family man who is committed to making family his first priority. His strength as a husband, father, and son and deeply respected by all who know him. The contributions and achievements that Mr. Farrell has made in the classroom, on the court, and in the community are extraordinary.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Steven Skalka, Superintendent, do hereby proclaim that Mr. Mark Farrell be inducted into the Lakewood Public Schools Hall of Fame this day, April 27, 2022.



Dr. Steven Skalka, Superintendent of Schools

Stephen Williams, Principal, Lakewood High School