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12 Leaders in High School Activity Programs to Receive NFHS Citations

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INDIANAPOLIS, IN (January 22, 2019) — Twelve leaders in high school activity programs across the country have been selected to receive National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) Citations.

An award designed to honor individuals who have made contributions to the NFHS, state high school associations, athletic director and coaching professions, the officiating avocation and fine arts/performing arts programs, the NFHS Citation is one of the most highly regarded achievements in high school athletics and performing arts.

The 2019 NFHS Citation recipients will receive their awards July 1 at the 100th annual NFHS Summer Meeting in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Eight of the 12 award winners represent NFHS-member state high school associations, and four recipients represent NFHS professional organizations for officials, coaches, music leaders and speech/debate/theatre directors.

The eight state association recipients are **Dick Durost**, Section 1, executive director, Maine Principals' Association; **Jill Masterman**, Section 2, program specialist, Maryland Public Secondary Schools Athletic Association; **Joyce Franklin**, Section 3, chief financial officer, Mississippi High School Activities Association; **Chris Kaufman**, Section 4, assistant commissioner, Indiana High School Athletic Association; **Sue Carlsrud**, Section 5, administrative assistant, North Dakota High School Activities Association; **Dr. Joey Walters**, Section 6, deputy executive director, Arkansas Activities Association; **Diane Marshall-Freeman**, Section 7, general counsel, California Interscholastic Federation; and **Mike Colbrese**, Section 8, executive director, Washington Interscholastic Activities Association.

The four Citation recipients representing the NFHS professional organizations are **Dana Pappas**, NFHS Officials Association, deputy director, New Mexico Activities Association; **Tex Williams**, NFHS Coaches Association, retired coach, St. Albans (West Virginia) High School; **Dr. Gerald Kreitzer**, NFHS Music Association, director of music activities, Mount Mercy University, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; and **Gail Naylor**, NFHS Speech/Debate/Theatre Association, retired director of debate/speech/theatre, Silver Lake (Kansas) High School.

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About the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS)

The NFHS, based in Indianapolis, Indiana, is the national leadership organization for high school sports and performing arts activities. Since 1920, the NFHS has led the development of education-based interscholastic sports and performing arts activities that help students succeed in their lives. The NFHS sets direction for the future by building awareness and support, improving the participation experience, establishing consistent standards and rules for competition, and helping those who oversee high school sports and activities. The NFHS writes playing rules for 17 sports for boys and girls at the high school level. Through its 50 member state associations and the District of Columbia, the NFHS reaches more than 19,000 high schools and 11 million participants in high school activity programs, including more than 7.9 million in high school sports. As the recognized national authority on interscholastic activity programs, the NFHS conducts national meetings; sanctions interstate events; offers online publications and services for high school coaches and officials; sponsors professional organizations for high school coaches, officials, speech and debate coaches, and music adjudicators; serves as the national source for

interscholastic coach training; and serves as a national information resource of interscholastic athletics and activities. For more information, visit the NFHS website at www.nfhs.org.

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