

El Paso Athletic Hall of Fame Nomination Packet (2026)

Starting January 1, 2026, presenters and inductees will follow the guidelines approved in Section IV of the Bylaws, along with the notations below.

Questions in regards to the Nomination process can be addressed to Dr. Scott Stein (ssstein1105@gmail.com) or Wayne Thornton (wlegend007@gmail.com).

- The person being nominated (Candidate) must concur with being nominated.
- Nominees must have lived in El Paso County for at least 10 years, not necessarily consecutive, unless a waiver is granted by a favorable 2/3 vote of Hall of Fame committee members.
- Nominees must not be indebted financially to the El Paso Athletic Hall of Fame.
- Presenters will have five minutes to make their initial nomination presentation at the scheduled meeting for their category. Other people may speak positively for only one minute in support of the nominated person, however the presenter is done talking about nominee at the end of their presentation.
- Presenters will have two minutes to make a “recap” presentation at a later “recap” meeting, but no additional supporting comments are allowed.
- There are no video presentations/video clips/power points allowed for the nominee.
- Presenters have the option of providing 50 printed copies of the candidate’s resume packet at the time of nomination or they do not. (If the candidate presentation is done online the 50 printed copies are the responsibility of the presenter to provide in person or they do not.)
- The Nominees Cover Letter must be filled out along with a signed signature at the bottom noting the candidate has never been convicted of a felony.
- Presenters must ensure their candidate is nominated in the proper category and if not the nomination can be rejected and or placed in proper category by nomination committee.
- Presenters must provide one electronic version of the candidate’s resume to Dr. Stein or Mr. Thornton by the Friday before their scheduled presentation date so resumes can be posted to the Hall website at epahof.com.
- If any of the above info is incomplete, the candidate will not be eligible for Nomination

The online voting for the 2026 Class will be from 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 7th through 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 8th by only committee members in good standing. The announcement of the 2026 Class will be posted on Hall website by 7:00 p.m. on April 8th.

Once the result of the voting is completed the President will personally contact by phone all the nominees on Wednesday, April 8th to notify them of the results before being posted on the website and or released to the media.

The Nomination cover sheet is listed below with resume packet suggestions

Cover Sheet with Personal Information

References and or Reference Letters and listing of Awards

Copies of photographs, newspaper articles, magazine articles, or book references

Nominee's career should be organized by timeline for each sport or activity

Education and Professional Organizations can be presented

El Paso Athletic Hall of Fame (Category Definitions 2026)

The candidate will be judged on his or her athletic record, ability, integrity, sportsmanship, character, and contributions. The candidate must have lived in El Paso County for at least 10 years.

The Candidate must not have been convicted of a felony.

The Candidate must not be indebted to the El Paso Athletic Hall of Fame.

The candidate may be nominated at any time during or after his or her athletic career. There shall be no restrictions as to race, creed, color, sex, or nationality.

The candidates for election and induction will be nominated in one of the following categories as defined and listed below each year:

Living Athlete:

Athlete must have competed in sanctioned athletics as a member of a team or as an individual. Must have lived in El Paso County for 10 years, as shown in the EPAHOF Bylaws, Article IX, section 2. Nominee must have demonstrated individual performances beyond the standard position requirement of category nominated for.

Example: A team wins a District/Conference title. As a member of that team, it does not qualify alone as an exemplary individual feat worthy of nomination. If a track athlete helps the team win District and athlete is named all district, delivers a record-breaking time, or is named all-State, all-Conference, all-American the odds improve for nomination. In international competitions such as the Olympics or other types of world qualifying events, that also can increase the odds for nomination.

An individual who has demonstrated excellence in the performance of one or more team or individual sports. **An individual with Athletic credentials and Coach/Administrator credentials can be nominated in either category, not both and must be declared at time of nomination as to which category. (Two individuals selected from Living Athlete category).**

Coach/Administrator:

An individual in **Coaching** who has demonstrated excellence and integrity and high level of ethics in coaching one or more teams or individual sports at IOC, NFL, NCAA, levels as examples.

An individual in **Administration** who has served with skill, integrity and ethics in the administration of one or more athletic programs at the high school, collegiate and/or professional level. An individual who oversees funding that is appropriated or donated for one or more sports programs. **An individual with Athletic credentials and Coach/Administrator credentials can be nominated in either**

category but not both and must be declared at time of nomination as to which category. **(One individual selected from this combined category).**

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Media/Supporter of Athletics:

an individual in the **Media** who has been outstanding in presenting the accomplishments of athletes and athletic programs with a high level of ethics.

An individual in **Supporter of Athletics** who has been a major proponent in the promotion of one or more significant athletic events, programs by securing funding through their own personal monies and is exemplified with high level of ethics.

(One individual selected from this combined category).

Official/Trainer:

an individual who has served with skill, proficiency and ethics in **Officiating** one or more sports at high school, collegiate and or professional level.

As a **Trainer** they have served with skill and proficiency and ethics at the high school, collegiate and/or professional level.

(One individual selected from this combined category).

Posthumous:

an individual who is deceased at the time of nomination and served at a high level of ethics in one or more of the categories listed above. Should a person become deceased after having been previously nominated in one of the categories above, they must stay in that nominated category for that calendar year.

(One individual selected from this category).

***Final approval of the official Nominee Category is by Nominating Committee.**

2026 Inductions by Category

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| Living Athlete | 2 |
| Coach/Administrator | 1 |
| Media/Supporter of Athletics | 1 |
| Official/Trainer | 1 |
| Posthumous | 1 |

El Paso Athletic Hall of Fame Nomination Cover Sheet (2026)

Categories (Please circle one)

Living Athlete Coach/Administrator Media/Supporter of Athletics Official/
Trainer Posthumous

Name of Nominee _____

Mailing Address _____

Home Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

E-Mail Address _____

Name of Presenter _____

Date of Presentation _____

Mailing Address _____

Cell Phone _____

E-Mail Address _____

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I hereby acknowledge this Nominee for El Paso Athletic Hall of Fame has not been convicted of a felony as per my signature below.

Signed by Presenter or Nominee:

Name (Please Print)

Name (Signature)

Date

____ Nominee concurs with his/her Nomination.

____ Will provide 50 copies of the Nominees Resume Packet/ Will not (Please circle)

____ Cover Letter is filled out with Nominees Information.

____ Cover Letter is signed by Nominee or Presenter acknowledging No Felony.

____ Nominee will be presented in person or by Zoom (Please circle which one)

- **If any of the above info is incomplete, the candidate will not be eligible for Nomination**

El Paso Athletic Hall of Fame Meetings scheduled listed below at 6:00 p.m. at EPCC)

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| Monday | January 26 | Welcome Meeting |
| Monday | February 9 | Nominations – (Posthumous) |
| Monday | February 23 | Nominations – (Media/Supporter of Athletics) (Official/Trainer) |
| Monday | March 9 | Nominations – (Coach/Administrator) |
| Monday | March 23 | Nominations - (Living Athlete) |
| Tuesday | April 7th | Recap in first Meeting followed by Voting till 12:00 p.m. |
| April 8th | | |
| Wednesday | April 8th | 2026 Hall of Fame Class Announced by 7:00 p.m. on website |

Hall of Fame News Conference and Banquet (Please put dates on your calendar)

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| Saturday, June 20 | 6:25 p.m. | El Paso Chihuahuas Baseball Game (Class of 2026) |
| Monday, June 22 | 9:30 a.m. | Commissioners Court (Class of 2026) |
| Tuesday, June 23 | 9:00 a.m. | City Council (Class of 2026) |
| Tuesday, June 23 | 2:00 p.m. | Ray Sanchez High School Student Athletes Honored |
| Tuesday, June 23 | 2:30 p.m. | Hall of Fame Class of 2026 News Conference |
| Wednesday, June 24 | 6:00 p.m. | Hall of Fame Banquet (Tickets \$___ each) (best option is to purchase online at Hall website) |

Ray Adauto, President
El Paso Athletic Hall of Fame

