

Monday, November 27, 2023: Clifton-Clyde USD 224 is excited to officially announce its 2024 Hall of Fame class. The class of 2024 will be inducted on Friday, Jan. 26, between the varsity girls and boys games vs. Frankfort High School.

The class of 2024 will include two legendary CCHS teacher/coaches in Ed Buller and Ken McClanahan.

Ed Buller

Ed Buller compiled a record of 335-78-7 in his 45 years of coaching football in Kansas. As the architect of the single-wing offense he won 24 league championships and had ten undefeated teams for Clyde High School. In his 40 years at Clyde and later Clifton-Clyde, his teams suffered only one losing season – his first (1945). In 1977, Clyde was the undefeated 1A state champion. Coach Buller was selected as Kansas Coach of the Year in 1978 and runner-up for National Coach of the Year honors in 1980. Mr. Buller was ranked among the nation's top 10 prep coaches in career wins and winning percentage (80.6%) upon his retirement.



In the math classroom and on the field, Mr. Buller taught students to focus on continual improvement, be determined, and be tough. The Ed Buller Scholarship was established in 2009 and has awarded over \$22,000 to students of Clifton-Clyde High School at the time of his USD 224 Hall of Fame induction.

Coach Buller was inducted into the K.S.H.S.A.A. Hall of Fame in 1986.

Ken McClanahan



40 years in the same Social Studies classroom is a pretty big accomplishment, but for Ken McClanahan there are many, many more. Mr. McClanahan was the head girls' basketball coach for Clyde and then Clifton-Clyde High School for 35 years. In those 35 years he won over 400 games which included 6 league championships, 2 substate championships, and 1 2A state runner-up finish in 1996. He was an assistant coach for the Clyde boys 1A state championship basketball team (his only year as their asst).

As impressive as his girls' basketball record is, his track and field coaching resume is even stronger. Mr. McClanahan served as the girls' head track coach for 37 years; including 15 years as girls and boys coach simultaneously. During his tenure at Clyde, and then Clifton-Clyde, his teams won 14 league championships (with 14 runner-up finishes), finished top 10 at the state meet 23 times, finished top 5 at state 17 times, had 4 state runner-up team finishes, and 5 2A girls state championship teams. Additionally, his teams produced 17 individuals state champions, 12 relay state champions, 160 individual state medalists, and 36 relay state medalists. Mr. McClanahan was presented with the Kansas Coaches Association Girls Coach of the year in 2000 and the Kansas Track Coaches (KTC) Longevity Award in 2009. KTC awarded his teams in 2004, 2007-2011, and 2014 with their outstanding team awards.

Mr. McClanahan has spoken at many coaching schools around the state for both basketball and track. Additionally, as the AD of Clifton-Clyde High School for 16 years, he was instrumental in the formation and organization of the very successful Twin Valley League through the creation of the league constitution and the schedules used for many league sporting events.