



MITCA

Charles Sweeney Award

Charles Sweeney was a teacher and coach at Lansing Eastern High School. Additionally, he was a long time MITCA member who was recognized for his long and outstanding service to the organization, the sport he loved - Track and Field, and to his community.

This award is recognition of outstanding service to the sport of Track and Field, school, community, and MITCA. In brief, it is given to someone who epitomizes "coach". The Charles Sweeney Award recipient are placed in the MITCA Hall of Fame, receive a watch and a MITCA lifetime membership.

Consideration for the award is made by written nomination providing strong evidence of meeting the award criteria (see below). NOTE: the nominee may not be a Kermit Ambrose Award recipient.

Criteria

Worked to further the sport of Track and Field through any of the following:

- MITCA committees
- MITCA Executive Board
- Service to Track and Field such as officiating, and meet management.

Year	Nam	School
2026	Carey Hammel	Shepherd
2025	Dan Shafer	Algonac
2024	Larry Adams	Rochester
2023	Joan Ludtke	White Cloud
2022	Scott Werner	Pewamo Westphalia
2021	Derek Gonzales	Ypsilanti Lincoln
2020	Mike Dennisuk	Woodhaven
2019	David Emeott	East Kentwood
2018	Jim Okler	Grosse Ile
2017	Steven M. Linn	Harbor Beach/Deckerville
2016	Nate Hampton	MHSAA
2015	Kevin Behmer	Ann Arbor Huron
2014	Rudy Godefroidt	Hemlock
2013	Mike Jurasek	Albion
2012	Jill Evers-Bowers	Kent City
2011	Greg Miller	Cranbrook Kingwood
2010	Ross Donley	Ludington
2009	Mike Unger	Lutheran Westland
2008	Tony Mifsud	Dearborn Divine Child
2007	John Quiring	Okemos
2006	John Lober	Traverse City
2005	Jim Long	Kalamazoo Central
2004	Gordie Aldrich	Corunna
2003	Mel Comeau	Bath
2002	Paul Nilsson	Williamston
2001	Bob Bridges	Dearborn
2000	Lee Kahler	Bad Axe
1999	Woodrow Thomas	Detroit Central
1998	Robert Fulcher	Hazel Park
1997	Ken Bokhoven	Grand Rapids Christian
1996	Rob Johnson	Clare
1995	Jerry Myszkowski	U of Detroit - Jesuit
1994	Don Marsh	Flint Kearsley
1993	Wayne McDonald	Jackson Northwest
1992	Bob Steward	Portage Northern
1991	Marty Crane	Flint Beecher
1990	Jack Arnold	Ann Arbor Pioneer
1989	Lorenzo Croft	Ecorse
1988	Elmer Ball	Oxford
1987	Bob Bloomer	Holly
1986	Don Lukens	Kalamazoo Loy Norrix
1985	Duane Raffin	Holly
1984	Bob Kent	Pontiac Central
1983	Chuck Janke	Jackson
1982	Norb Badar	Flint Northern
1981	Kermit A. Ambrose	Birmingham Seaholm



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1980	Erwin E. Ruth	Detroit Lutheran West
1979	Elf Pedler	Kalamazoo Central
1978	Web Morrison	Pickford
1977	Chuck Sweeney	Lansing Eastern