

Larry Schwenke – 2008 Hall of Fame Inductee



The impact that Larry Schwenke had on Idaho athletics is immeasurable. For thirty-five years, he promoted and administered quality programs in the Coeur d'Alene School District and was a dedicated leader of the Idaho Athletic Directors Association before retiring in 2007.

His career began in 1969 in Great Falls, Montana. He moved to Coeur d'Alene, teaching and coaching at the middle school before transferring to the high school in 1975. There he taught science and physical education and coached football, basketball, and softball before becoming assistant principal and athletic/activities director. Larry initiated the softball program at CHS and, as head coach, amassed twelve consecutive state titles from 1981-1993. He was named Coach of the Year four times and the CHS softball field was named "Larry Schwenke Field" in honor of his many contributions to the program.