

Athletic Number Retirement

Procedures governing Mayville State University Athletics retired jerseys (approved by university cabinet)

The purpose of the Mayville State University Athletics Retired Jersey policy is to recognize those student-athletes and coaches who have had extraordinary athletic accomplishments during their playing or coaching careers. This document sets forth the procedures for nominations and selection, as well as the criteria to be considered in determining whether a jersey number should be retired.

Election & Process

- 1) The Mayville State University Cabinet will serve as the voting body for retirement of a jersey number.
- 2) Number retirement is defined as ending the use of the nominated student/athlete's or coaches jersey number permanently.
- 3) Procedures outlined below will apply to the current varsity sports of football, men's and women's basketball, baseball, softball, and volleyball (i.e. – sports which jersey number are used).
- 4) Those attaining retired number status will be recognized during a home contest of the associated sport, or an athletic event deemed appropriate, as scheduled by Mayville State Athletics. Jersey displayed publicly, as appropriate, with some sign of identification.
- 5) Members of the cabinet will nominate and vote on nominees brought to the cabinet. A nominee must have unanimous support of the cabinet for his/her number to be retired.
- 6) Mayville State University retains the right to revoke this honor should a subject be convicted of a felony crime or fail to adhere to commonly accepted standards of decency that bring disrepute to the university. The vote to revoke an honored jersey/uniform must equal the vote required to receive the distinction.

Nominees must meet the following criteria to allow a nomination to be submitted to the cabinet:

- 1) Student/Athlete Nominee must have received a bachelor's degree from Mayville State University.
- 2) Nominee must have represented and continue to represent Mayville State University in the highest possible manner in all endeavors within sports as well as his/her personal life.
- 3) Nominee must have accomplished ONE of the following:
 - Earned a national award recognized by the NAIA (e.g. – National Player/Coach of the Year)
 - Earned a 1st Team All-America designation by an organization recognized by the NAIA.
 - He/she was named Outstanding Player of a national championship event

(e.g. – NAIA Championship MVP)

- Lifetime achievement award from governing organization or coaches' organization.

Special Consideration

Any individual, living or deceased, who has made unique and extraordinary contributions to the Mayville State athletics program, shall be eligible to have his/her jersey retired. Special inductees may include coaches and athletic staff members, distinguished alumni, friends of Mayville State Athletics, and other individuals who are not necessarily eligible as a Student/Athlete inductee. Eligibility as a student/athlete inductee shall not disqualify an individual for consideration as a Special Inductee.

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Sponsor: Athletic Director