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# **Headline: Ohio High School Wrestling Coaches Association names 2020 Hall of Fame Class**

Columbus, Ohio

**Lead:** The 2020 Ohio High School Wrestling Coaches Association's Hall of Fame Class will include:

Jeff Jagers (St Peter Chanel High School and The Ohio State University.)

Matt Yinger (Nelsonville York High School)

Pat Welfle: (Milan Edison High School and Norwalk St.Paul High School)

Bill Ondrus: (Ayersville High School)

These gentlemen will be formally inducted during the Ohio High School Athletic Association's State wrestling tournament at the Value City Arena prior to the Championship Finals on March 15<sup>th</sup> 2020.

The Ohio High School Wrestling Coaches Association (OHSWCA) would like to take this opportunity to congratulate these men on their nomination.

**About the inductees:**

Jeff Jagers,

Jeff is a former 4X Ohio State Champion hailing from St. Peter Chanel High School in Bedford. From there he attended The Ohio State University from 2004 thru 2009 where he accumulated 107 career wins and claimed back to back 141 pound NCAA National Titles in 2008 and 2009. Jeff earned his degree in Communications in 2009 and stayed with the Buckeyes as a volunteer coach for a year when in 2011 he joined the coaching staff full time as an assistant coach for the next six years. In 2016, Jeff was promoted to Associate Head Coach, a position he still holds today.

Matt Yinger,

Matt has spent the last 19 years as the Head Coach at Nelsonville York High School. During this time he has coached 48 individual State Qualifiers, 26 State Place winners and 4 State Champions. Along with the individual success, his teams have won 9 conference titles, 9 Sectional titles, 2 District Championships and finished 4th at the State Tournament in 2012. All his success has led to being named the Southeast District Coach of the Year 10 times and also the Ohio High School Wrestling Coaches Association's Coach of the Year in 2011.

Pat Welfle,

Pat coached wrestling for 40 years. 27 of those years he served as a head coach, 18 at Milan Edison and 9 at Norwalk St. Paul. Over his 27 years as a head coach his teams won 4 conference championships along with 4 Sectional Championships and 1 District Championship. Pat's teams had two top 5 finishes in the State Tournament. Coach Welfle had 72 State Qualifiers, 37 State Place winners with 1 State Champion. In 2007 Pat was recognized by the Ohio High School Wrestling Coaches Association with the Sportsmanship, Ethics and Integrity Award. In 2013 Coach Welfle was awarded the North West District Mac Morrison Lifetime Achievement Award.

Bill Ondrus,

Bill served 35 years as the Head Coach at Ayersville High School where he compiled an impressive career record of 330 wins, 115 losses and 2 ties. That record lead to 18 Green Meadows Conference Championships. Coach Ondrus had 50 State Qualifiers and 21 State Place winners during his career. Along with his coaching, Bills spent 25 years as a member of the 5th District Officials Association.

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