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MEDIA ADVISORY

WHAT: Press Conference, National High School Hall of Fame Introduction of 2021 Class

WHEN: Thursday, July 1, 12:00-1:15 p.m.

WHERE: Cypress Ballroom 1 (B-C), Orlando World Center Marriott, Orlando, Florida

WHY: Opportunity to Interview Members of the 2021 Class

The 38th class of the NFHS National High School Hall of Fame will be inducted at 6:00 p.m. EDT on Thursday, July 1 at the Orlando World Center Marriott in Orlando, Florida. Ten of the 12 individuals in this year's class will be present at the press conference at 12:00 p.m. on July 1 to field questions. (Terry Michler and Karyn Bye will be unable to attend the press conference.)

A press release on the 2021 class is included with this media advisory. There are seven outstanding former high school athletes in the class, all of whom went on the tremendous college, Olympic and professional careers. There are three high school coaches, one administrator and one from the performing arts area of high school activities.

Former high school athletes who are a part of this year's class and will be at the press conference are **Tim Couch**, a record-setting

quarterback from Leslie County High School in Hyden, Kentucky, who later excelled at the University of Kentucky and played five years in the NFL; **Alex English**, one of the top basketball players in South Carolina from Dreher High School in Columbia who was the leading scorer in the NBA in the 1980s with the Denver Nuggets; **Matt Holliday**, three-sport star at Stillwater (Oklahoma) High School who recently retired after a 20-year professional baseball career; **Dave Logan**, three-sport star at Wheat Ridge High School in Colorado who, in his second career, has won nine state championships as a high school football coach; **Maicel Malone**, record-setting track and field star from North Central High School in Indianapolis, Indiana, who won 11 of 12 state sprint titles in four years; and **Michele Smith**, three-sport athlete from Voorhees High School in Glen Gardner, New Jersey, who became a softball star at Oklahoma State University and in Olympic competition.

The two coaches in attendance at the press conference will be **Rickey Baker**, who led his Hopi High School boys cross country teams to 27 consecutive Arizona state titles, and **Charles Berry**, who won almost 1,400 games in 57 years as girls and boys basketball coach in Arkansas – mostly at Huntsville High School. The final two inductees in the class are **Bill Farney**, former executive director of the Texas University Interscholastic League; and **Robert Littlefield**, one of the top speech and debate educators in North Dakota and nationally for more than 45 years.

After general introductions and opening statements from all inductees, questions will be taken from the media. One-on-one interviews can be arranged after the press conference; however, the inductees have to depart by 1:25 for another function.

Please email Cody Porter, NFHS manager of media relations, at cporter@nfhs.org if you will be attending. If you have questions, contact Cody by email or cell (606-369-1889). We look forward to seeing you at the Orlando World Center Marriott at **12 p.m. on Thursday, July 1.**

If you are unable to attend the press conference in-person, the event will be streamed live on the NFHS Network through the following link:

<https://www.nfhsnetwork.com/events/nfhs/evt996729ab4b>

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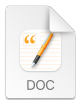
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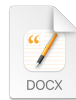
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