

Scott Nelson (Wheaton St. Francis High School)

HOF SPEECH

Scott Nelson, coached Cross Country and Track and Field for 40 years. 35 of those years were at Wheaton Saint Francis, where he served as both head boys and girls cross-country and track coach. His teams won three IHSA state trophies. He coached 10 individual state champions and his athletes earned State medals on 95 different occasions. Scott coached teams to 71 conference titles, 21 regional titles, and 14 sectional titles. Thirty-nine times his boys or girls' teams qualified for the State Cross Country Meet. His cross-country teams earned Top 10 finishes on 18 occasions. Scott was twice named ITCCCA Coach-of-the-Year. "He has instilled life skills in his athletes" "Probably the best testament to the impact Scott has made on and off the track was when St. Francis named their new track "Scott Nelson Track as the donors requested for the impact he had on children."

