

J. B. Murphy Award

The J.B. Murphy Award recognizes the S.I. football player each year who best exemplifies the Ignatian spirit through his inspirational leadership on and off the playing field. It is named for a man who was himself an to inspiration to all Ignatians.

John Bernard Murphy began his career at St. Ignatius in the fall of 1939. Over the next fifty years he served the school in many different capacities in addition to his work in the classroom. Foremost among these assignments was his fourteen-year tenure as Athletic Director.

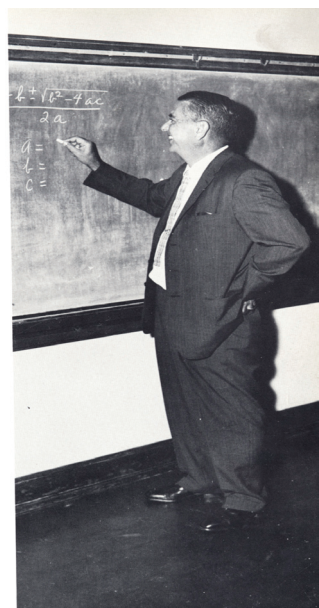
J.B. took over for Richard A. "Red" Vaccaro in 1953, and from then until 1967 he supervised S.I.'s sports program. He worked with such coaches as Pat Malley, Jim Keating, Rene Herrerias, and Vince Tringali; he presided over the department during one of the most successful eras in the history of St. Ignatius athletics.

Mr. Murphy turned his job over to Leo LaRocca in 1967, and since then has remained a fixture at Wildcat athletic events, traditionally sporting his lucky yellow tie. J.B. retired from teaching in 1989, bringing to a conclusion half a century of educating the students at St. Ignatius.

In 1973 head football coach Gil Haskell instituted an award to be given annually to the football player who best exemplifies Ignatius' call to "give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to seek reward." It was fitting that he named the award in honor of a man whose name was—and is—synonymous with inspirational service to St. Ignatius: J.B. Murphy.



AWARD WINNERS



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| 1973: Charlie Buada | 1990: Thomas Maguire |
| 1974: Dan Salvemini | 1991: Paul Christen |
| 1975: Paul Tonelli | 1992: Andrew Mack |
| 1976: Francis Crowley | 1993: Christopher Marie |
| 1977: Darren Cde Baca | 1994: Tripp Lane |
| 1978: Robert Walsh | 1995: Carlos Escobar |
| 1979: Albert Waters | 1996: Joseph Talmadge |
| 1980: Dan Brown | 1997: Colin Guheen |
| 1981: Brian Stretch | 1998: Anthony Devora |
| 1982: Patrick Burns | 1999: Jeremiah Valera |
| 1983: Ralph Goody | 2000: Nicholas Silva |
| 1984: James Kerrigan | 2001: Joseph Boswell, Kerger Truesdell |
| 1985: Douglas Jackson | 2002: Ryan Clifford |
| 1986: Janar Wasito | 2003: Jorge Hernandez |
| 1987: Thomas Vollert | 2004: Joseph Armao |
| 1988: Michael Gorsospe | 2005: Craig King |
| 1989: Timothy Dunne | |