

Joe Paulino

There is no way that one can discuss the Hillsborough High School Football Program without invoking the name of Joe Paulino. Joe started the football program in 1971. His tenure as the head football coach lasted to 1987. During his years as the head football coach, Joe's teams were regarded as one of the top football programs in the state. His teams won the following championships:

- Mountain Valley Conference 1973, 1974, 1975, 1980
- Skyland Conference 1985
- Central Jersey Group II 1973
- Central Jersey Group III 1980



Joe was recognized for his coaching accomplishments by receiving the following coaching honors:

- Courier News Coach of the Year 1973, 1980
- Home News Coach of the Year 1973, 1980
- WCTC Coach of the Year 1980

Joe also coached the golf team for several years.

Joe began his teaching career at Hillsborough High School as a social studies teacher and retired as a guidance counselor.

Joe is remembered not only as being a highly successful football coach, but also more importantly as a caring and outstanding person. Joe always had a sincere concern not only for the students he coached, but also for the students of Hillsborough High School. Joe has touched the lives of every individual that had had the honor of his presence in their life.

Joe still resides in Hillsborough with his wife Sue. They have two children, Mary Beth and Michael and two grandchildren. Joe's retirement is spent by playing golf, traveling, and serving as an interim guidance counselor at area high schools.

Joe's outstanding accomplishments as a coach and his commitment to the student-athletes of Hillsborough High School have secured his selection into the Hillsborough High School Athletic Hall of Fame.