

Watchung Hills Regional High School

Hall of Fame



Norm Hewitt
Class of 1965

Those who excel in their field are often characterized by a “passion” that transcends the boundaries of their job or career. Norm Hewitt, or “Stormin’ Norman”, as he was known early in his coaching career, truly has a passion for baseball, for coaching, and for teaching the tools for success in those who have had him as a coach.

Norm was a notable athlete before he became a notable coach. He was one of the “three letter” athletes in the early days of Watchung Hills Regional High. He totaled ten varsity letters at WHRHS - three in football, three in basketball, and four in baseball. He was recognized for his athletic skills beyond the local community, receiving all county honors for football, basketball and baseball during his WHRHS years. He also garnered all-state recognition for his baseball skills in 1964 and 1965.

Norm continued to pursue his true love, baseball, in his college years at Salem College in West Virginia. He continued to excel, both as a pitcher (pitching both ends of a double header on one occasion) and a productive offensive force for Salem.

Norm’s passion for baseball led him to an outstanding coaching career in central New Jersey high school baseball, as well as coaching tours at Drew University and Rutgers University along the way. His high school coaching career began at Hillsborough High, where he initially spent 11 years, before moving on to Bridgewater High, where he coached for the next 12 years. Norm returned to Hillsborough as the head coach in 2000 and continues to lead that program today. Norm’s teams at both Hillsborough and Bridgewater won significant titles at both the county and state level.

Norm’s accomplishments and awards as a coach are significant. He has been recognized at the county level and state level many times throughout his coaching career. As a head baseball coach he has notched 540 wins, 12 Conference championships and 2 state championships.

Norm Hewitt is a very welcome and deserving addition to the Watchung Hills Regional High Hall of Fame.