

2006 Hall of Fame Inductee Robert "Bob" Ottewill – Denver

Bob Ottewill attended Huntington High School, Long Island, New York in 1964. He went on to earn a B.A. in English from Ohio Wesleyan University in 1968. From there, Bob attended the University of Denver from 1968-72 where he completed 45 hours toward a degree in English Literature. In 1987, he completed a (Type D) Certificate in M. Ed/Administrative from Colorado State University.

From 1968 until 1972, Bob taught English/Basketball Coach at Kearney Junior High School in Commerce City. From the years of 1970-72, Bob was a part-time sportswriter for The Denver Post. In 1972, he began with CHSAA under the title of Administrative Assistant. In 1986, Bob was named Associate Commissioner while becoming Aurora Commissioner in 1990.

Bob has served as a member of the National Federation of State High School Associations Basketball, Football, Baseball and Softball Rules Committees over the last 20 years. He has been an official for High School Basketball and College Basketball as well. Bob has been Commissioner of the Colorado Whiffleball Federation from 1970 until the present and in 1998 he was an Honorary Chairman at the Colorado All-State Games.

Bob has made outstanding contributions during his career and has been awarded: the Al Schalge Memorial Award in 1995, a Certificate of Appreciation from Denver Association of Black Basketball Officials in 1994, a Friend of Broadcasting Award from the BA in 1990 and in the same year inducted into the Metro League Hall of Fame.

Other key accomplishments under Bob's CHSAA tenure include the addition of many sports including: girls swimming, skiing, basketball, cross country, softball, soccer, golf, field hockey, girls and boys lacrosse, volleyball, and ice hockey.