

Every year we like to honor a member of the Catholic High School Alumni who has continued to embody the CHS Core Values of Selfless Love, Commitment to Excellence, Personal Integrity, and Commitment to Service long after leaving the halls of the school. The process begins with the Alumni Committee bringing forward the names of several nominees and once approved by school Administrators, the committee selects the alumna or alumnus to be honored. Then usually comes the exciting part in trying to find the right time to honor the inductee at a public Catholic High event where we can surprise him or her. This event seems very fitting for this year's announcement.

This year's Hall of Fame inductee was a student at Catholic High during the "turn of the century" and would be considered a Millennial based on birth year. While at Catholic High this recipient was an excellent student, active in the Chase Club and other service opportunities. He was a 3 year Varsity Baseball player and a 4 year Varsity Football player who was also a recognized as a Northwest Florida and State standout in that sport. His Senior year he was named to the CHS Student Hall of Fame.

After leaving CHS, he attended the University of West Florida where he earned a Bachelors in Business. He became a Coach for the Catholic High Football team in the fall of 2003 and then joined the faculty of Catholic High School during the 2004-2005 school year, teaching Team Sports and serving as the Weight Lifting Coach. He has taught various subjects while a member of the faculty including P.E., Marketing, Personal Finance, and many others. He has been considered a favorite Home Room Teacher by his students. In 2015 he became the Director of

Facilities and in 2017 he became the Head Football Coach. He has received many local honors as the Coach of the Year for several years and has been a great example in leading our students. Another one of his most important roles at Catholic High has been that of 'Head Fry Daddy' at this yearly event.....

If you have not guessed by now, the 2024 Alumni Hall of Fame Inductee is from the Class of 2000 ----Matt Adams!

A number of Matt's Family members are here tonight including his wife Miranda and his children – Brandton '22, Adyson & Tucker '25, and Sadie, who be in the class of 2032. Matt's parents, Mark & Karen Adams, who are longtime supporters of Catholic High are here tonight, as are some of his extended family including his siblings who are also fellow alumni, his sisters, Amanda '95 and Lindsey '03 and his brothers, Jake '96 and Luke '12.

Matt, It is such an honor to officially induct you into the Catholic High School Alumni Hall of Fame – Congratulations!