

HILLSDALE HIGH SCHOOL HALL of FAME

We are proud to announce the 2015 inductees to the Hillsdale High School Hall of Fame.





John Holdren [HHS '61] was in student government and played tennis while at Hillsdale. He then earned degrees from MIT and Stanford, taught for more than three decades at Harvard and UC Berkeley, and has served as Director of the Woods Hole Research Center. John is currently the senior advisor to President Barack Obama on science and technology issues through his roles as Assistant to the President for Science and Technology and Director of the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy.





Michael McGinnis [HHS '62] served as Hillsdale's Student Body President. He earned degrees from UC Berkeley, UCLA, and Harvard. Mike is a physician, epidemiologist, and long-time contributor to national and international health programs and policy, including continuous policy responsibilities for leadership in disease prevention and health promotion through four Administrations (Carter, Reagan, Bush, Clinton). Mike has earned the Distinguished Service Medal of the U.S. Public Health Service in recognition of his contributions





Don Leydig [HHS '63] was a Scholar-Athlete while at Hillsdale, earned degrees from Stanford, and served in Libya in the Peace Corps. He taught and served as an administrator in the SMUHSD, completing his career as Hillsdale's principal from 1989-2005. Hillsdale was named a National Blue Ribbon School in 1993 and, beginning in 2002, became a nationally recognized model for its conversion to Smaller Learning Communities. Following retirement, Don has helped develop the Hillsdale Foundation and the Hillsdale Alumni Association.





Dick Vermeil [HHS '60-'63] coached football at Hillsdale, winning the 1961 PAL Championship [Championship team members will be recognized at the HOF event.]. Vermeil owns the distinction of being named "Coach of the Year" on four levels: High School [HHS '61], Jr. College [Napa '64], NCAA Division I [UCLA '75] and the National Football League [Philadelphia Eagles '78 & '79, St. Louis Rams '99 — Super Bowl XXXIV Champions, and Kansas City Chiefs '03]. After retiring from coaching, Dick has been a TV broadcaster, winery owner [Vermeil Wines], and motivational speaker.