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## Wall Of Honor Nomination

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### Wall of Honor

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Please attach supporting information regarding the candidate's biography, legacy and contributions that address the question: "Why should this candidate be included on the Wall of Honor?"	<a href="#">Betsy Coker Anderson - FISD Hall of Honor.docx</a> <a href="#">Betsy Anderson Wall of Honor.docx</a> <a href="#">References Betsy Coker Anderson - Wall of Honor.docx</a>

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To Whom It May Concern regarding the Frankston ISD's Wall of Honor,

I would like to formally and officially nominate my mother, Betsy Coker Anderson based on her many years of significant contributions to her community, church, and to Frankston ISD.

Betsy was born on August 23, 1955 to TJ & Mary Coker. The Coker's, including brother David, resided in Frankston. Betsy attended Frankston ISD throughout her entire education, where she graduated in 1973. Not only was she a great student academically, but to hear it from the late Bo Ousley she was a superstar on the basketball court. Betsy was honored to have the opportunity to play basketball in college, going to Henderson County Junior College (currently Trinity Valley Community College) to play basketball from 1973-1975. She was also inducted into the Trinity Valley Community College Cardinal Hall of Fame in 2016. Betsy went on to play at Stephen F Austin State University in Nacogdoches from 1975-1978, where she was blessed to play under one of the pioneers of women's basketball, Sue Gunter. She obtained her Bachelors Degree in 1977 (Health/Physical Education – Major English) followed by her Master's Degree in Physical Education in 1978.

Her teaching career was started at Chapel Hill ISD in 1978 and continued there until 1982. It was then time to come "home." Betsy began coaching and teaching at Frankston ISD in 1982, where she taught High School English and leaned into her passion of basketball, by coaching the girl's basketball team. In August of 1986 her daughter Megan was born, and soon thereafter Betsy transitioned from coaching to Elementary PE, so that she could spend more time at home. She went on to dedicate 30 years to Frankston ISD as an Elementary PE coach, a PAL sponsor, an FCA leader, a huge Jump Rope for Heart contributor, a bus driver, and a member of Delta Kappa Gamma. She made a lasting impact on her players and students through her steadfast support and her deep commitment to their growth, always encouraging them to thrive and succeed.

Betsy retired from Frankston ISD in June of 2012 but she did not stay gone for long. She returned to be a substitute teacher immediately following her retirement. Her role soon shifted from substitute teaching to bookkeeping for the girls' basketball and volleyball programs, a responsibility she continues to manage to this day. The love she has for FISD, kids, and sports runs deep, and it's rare that you step into the gymnasium without finding her at the score table, in the stands supporting the kids, or cheering for her favorite coach (also her niece), Christi Coker, and her team.

In addition to her service to the school, Betsy has also selflessly served her church. She is a dedicated member of First Baptist Church in Frankston where she has taught Sunday school for many years, serves on any and all committees that need members, delivers food to the widows and shut ins, serves the youth and church members food on Wednesday nights, flips pancakes for 5<sup>th</sup> Quarters, serves snacks to kids at VBS, helps with the Women's Bible Study, and is truly such a staple inside the walls of FBC Frankston. Through these ministries she has also built friendships with FISD students and attended several events such as One Act Play's to support them. Currently she also serves with a team from FBC that volunteers to read with students at Frankston Elementary, and also assists with door greeting at school drop offs in the mornings. But not only does she serve her church, she also serves her community by playing a key role on the Frankston City Cemetery Committee helping to organize and fundraise to help maintain the cemetery. These roles of service to her church and community mirrored the ways in which her mother, Mary Coker, also served.



In conclusion, I would just like to say that communities and schools truly thrive by individuals such as my mother, who give of their time, talents, love, and dedication to ensure that communities such as Frankston remain strong and flourish. Her involvement in Fisd and love for its students and faculty, and her legacy of service to this town, are beyond admirable. She has a heart to serve, love, and to encourage, and what a blessing to have her as a proud member of the Frankston community. Please strongly consider this nomination for my mother, Betsy Coker Anderson, for the Wall of Honor.

Sincerely, Megan Anderson Murphy



Dear Frankston Wall of Honor Committee,

I am happy to send a word of affirmation that Betsy Anderson is an excellent candidate for the Frankston Wall of Honor. I have served as her pastor at First Baptist Church of Frankston for almost 15 years. In the years I have been here, I have heard time and time again of what a star athlete she was for the Frankston Maidens. The number of stories I've heard catapult her to Frankston Legend status!

I also know that she served for many years as a Physical Education teacher for Frankston Elementary School. She is dearly loved and greatly respected by so many in the community because of her years of faithful service.

Of course, I know her best as a dedicated member of our church. She serves in a variety of ways including serving meals on Wednesday nights, delivering meals to homebound members, flipping pancakes for Youth Group 5<sup>th</sup> Quarters, serving snacks to kids at VBS, helping organize a community women's Bible Study, and working on numerous significant church committees. Betsy makes a big difference at our church!

The best part of her service and participation is that she is always friendly, funny, upbeat, and ready to do whatever needs to be done. I am grateful for her servant's heart and her care and friendship toward so many people.

I believe it would be a well-deserved honor and make our community proud to include Betsy Anderson on the Wall of Honor.

Sincerely,

Scott Wiley  
Pastor  
First Baptist Church



December 15, 2024

FISD Wall of Honor Nomination Committee:

This letter is written in support of Megan Murphy's nomination of Betsy Coker Anderson to the FISD Wall of Honor. Betsy and I worked closely together on a daily basis for 20 years at FISD. I know her well!

Betsy is a consistent, stable and very dependable role model who influenced thousands of students over her 30 years of service to FISD. Betsy was fair, firm and kind in her organized approach to teaching a gym full of children. Because she taught students throughout their elementary years she had the opportunity to build and reinforce a strong foundation for them not only in physical education, but also in value clarification.

Betsy's dependable dedication extends far beyond her students. Her loyalty and solid character securely supports co-workers, friends, family, church and the Frankston community as a whole. I am grateful and honored to have a 30 year friendship with Betsy.

Betsy Coker Anderson is deserving of a place on the FISD Wall of Honor.

Sincerely,  
Bobbie Bolestridge

Betsy has a heart of gold. She has touched so many lives in her career as a fellow basketball player, coach, teacher, mother, daughter and friend. She takes her tasks very seriously but can also laugh until tears fall. Her dedication to Frankston ISD is ongoing as well as her love for her church. I hope you will honor her this most deserving tribute.

Sue Campbell



December 11, 2024

Frankston Wall of Honor Committee,

I am writing this in support of Megan Murphy's nomination of Betsy Coker Anderson, to the Frankston Wall of Honor.

I have known Betsy for as long as I can remember. We have been friends, team mates and co-workers. She is most deserving of this honor as an alumni of Frankston I.S.D., former teacher/coach of F.I.S.D., and now a score keeper for F.I.S.D.. She is always supportive of Frankston athletics and our community whenever she is asked.

Betsy had wonderful achievements on the basketball team at Frankston I.S.D., Trinity Valley Community College, and Stephen F. Austin University. She represented Frankston during all of this with her abilities and her exceptional character as a caring, Christian woman of faith.

I can think of no one any more deserving of being added to Frankston's Wall of Honor than Ms. Betsy Coker Anderson.

Judy Hyde

Coach Anderson played an important role in my life. Not only was she my coach in the 80's, more importantly she was a mentor and role model. I graduated from Frankston High School 37 years ago and to this day carry something she once said to me. When comparing me to a teammate she said, " Michelle, if I could combine her effort and your skill then I'd have something!" She meant it in an encouraging way and it really stuck with me. She made me want to be a better person on and off the court. She taught me determination and perseverance.

Even though I'm grown with grandchildren and she and I raised daughters who are the same age, I could never call her Betsy. She will always be Ms. Anderson to me. Because that's how you address someone you respect!

Michelle (Beard) Smith