

Alabama Baseball Coaches Association Hall of Fame



MARK MINCHER **Class of 2018**

*"In Recognition of a Lifetime of Outstanding Achievement in the game of Baseball.
The State of Alabama will forever be in your debt."*

Mark Mincher was born in Huntsville Alabama on December 19, 1956. Baseball and athletics have been major influences in his life. A 1975 graduate of Hazel Green High School, Mark was a letterman in baseball, basketball and football, making All-County three years in baseball, twice in football and once in basketball. After high school, he signed a baseball scholarship with Memphis State University where he was a four year starter (1976-1979) and had a .270 career batting average. During this period Memphis State went 131-49 with 2 NCAA Regional Tournament appearances.

Mark started his coaching career at Monrovia Middle School where he remained for two years before moving to Sparkman High School in 1983. During the years at Monrovia and Sparkman; he coached basketball, baseball and football. In 1984, his first year as head baseball coach, Sparkman made their first appearance in the State Baseball Playoffs. Mark's record at Sparkman was 29-14. After three years at Sparkman, he moved to Huntsville High School to teach math and coach. He remained the head baseball coach at Huntsville for the next 27 years, also coaching football for 22 years. Under his leadership, Huntsville High won 12 City Championships, 8 Area Championships, made 18 appearances in the State Playoffs and won the 6A State Championship in 2011. Mark's Huntsville High teams finished with a record of 547-339 making his career coaching record 576-353. In addition, Mark has been named Madison County Baseball Coach of the Year once, Huntsville City Baseball Coach of the Year eight times and Metro Coach of the Year four times. In 2011, he was selected as Alabama Baseball Coaches Association 6A Coach of the Year and NFHS State Baseball Coach of the Year.

During his time at Huntsville High, Mark served as the Athletic Director for 18 years and was awarded the 2005-2006 AHSAA/AHSADA State Athletic Director of the Year. In addition, he was honored to serve as a member on the AHSAA Baseball Committee from 1997-2010. In 2011, Mark was inducted into the Madison County Hall of Fame. Mark retired from coaching after the 2012 season and served as Principal at Huntsville High School for the next three years. He was awarded HCPTA Secondary Principal of the Year in 2015. Mark served as a Talent Management Coordinator for Huntsville City Schools before retiring with 36 years of public education service. He currently serves as an Assistant Principal and Athletic Director at Madison Academy in Huntsville.

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