



COLLIN BRIGGS

Legendary Houston Wheatley Basketball Coach Will Be Inducted to Texas High School Coaches Association Hall of Honor

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The late Collin Briggs had a wildly successful career as basketball coach for the [Houston Wheatley Wildcats](#), at one time winning six consecutive state titles in the Prairie View Interscholastic League, from 1950-1955. Overall, he coached the Wildcats to 11 PVIL titles and two [University Interscholastic League](#) championships (1968, 1969).

For that, the legendary coach will be honored on Aug. 1 at the San Antonio Grand Hyatt when he will be inducted, along with five other coaches, to the [Texas High School Coaches Association](#) Hall of Honor. The ceremonies will begin at 1 p.m.

Briggs, a Houston native and Wheatley grad, was inducted to the PVILCA Hall of Honor in 1982. He was also a star player for the Wildcats and then at [Tuskegee](#) where he played for four years and captained the team as a senior. He was inducted to that school's Hall of Fame in 1987 and to the [Texas High School Basketball Hall of Fame](#) in 1992. He is also a member of the Phyllis Wheatley High School Hall of Fame.

He became head coach at Wheatley in 1946 and retired following the 1969 season with a career record of 608-55 record. His teams had the most PVIL championship game appearances with 15, and his 1968 team finished 36-0 and beat a largely white Thomas Jefferson High School team from Dallas, 85-80, in overtime. It was the first year for integrated playoffs after the PVIL merged with the UIL.