

**NEEDHAM B. BROUGHTON MAGNET HIGH SCHOOL
CAPS CLUB**

April 21, 2021

WCPSS Board of Education Members:

I am the President of the CAPS Club, the athletic booster organization at Needham B. Broughton High School. In that capacity, the CAPS Club strongly recommends and requests that the Broughton stadium be named after Jack Spain, our former and longtime athletic director.

Jack taught physical education and coached student athletes at Broughton for twenty-seven years until he retired in 2013. For the last twenty of those years, he also was our athletic director. During Jack's time as athletic director, Broughton:

- won more than twenty NCHSAA State Championships in women's basketball, cheerleading, men's cross-country, men's golf, men's and women's soccer and men's and women's tennis;
- had thirty-seven High School All-Americans, innumerable collegiate athletes, ten professional athletes and one two-time U.S. Olympian; and
- was a host school for the NCHSAA state championships in soccer, football, cheerleading, track, softball, swimming and volleyball.

Jack co-founded Broughton's Athletic Hall of Fame and BALL (Broughton Athletes Learning to Lead). He was the recipient of the NCHSAA's Regional Award (twice), Tribute of Appreciation Award and First Annual Charlie Adams Service Award. He was inducted into the Broughton Athletic and the WCPSS Halls of Fame.

Jack was an unqualified success as a teacher, coach and athletic director because he believed and acted upon the idea that sportsmanship and positive values are the true benefits of athletic competition, whether one wins or loses. As Jack himself said last year with regard to his well-deserved induction into the WakeEd Hall of Fame:

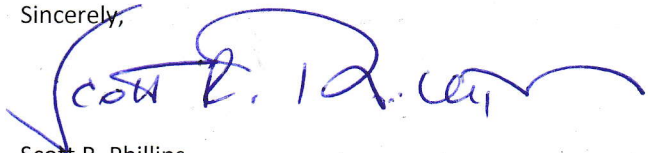
I always wanted Broughton to react the same way whether we won or lost, with a certain dignity and respect for your opponent, and sportsmanship being a priority, even over winning.

It was with this philosophy that Jack laid the groundwork for the excellence of Broughton's teams and dedication of student athletes which continues to this day.

There can be no more fitting a tribute to a teacher and coach who gave so much of himself to the school, its students and the wider community than to name Broughton's stadium in his honor.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Scott R. Phillips
President
Needham B. Broughton High School Caps Club