

EDWARD STINSON
Football Coach, Hoboken HS



1970 was the year it all began. After graduating Jersey City State College in 1969, where Edward played varsity football team for three years, earned All-Conference and was captain senior year, Ed stayed on as the football team's Defensive Coordinator until 1973. After Jersey City State College, Edward coached one more year at the collegiate level at William Paterson University before switching over to high school. He began one of two stints at Hoboken HS, the school where he spent the majority of his career. The first time coaching there, he led Hoboken to consecutive conference championships from 1977-1979 and a state championship in 1980. Record 24-13-3. He returned back to Hoboken HS in 1987, but this time stayed 17 years. In those two decades, Coach Stinson's Redwings won five state championships and ten conference championships and finished with a dynamic record of 158-36-1. In between his two Hoboken periods, Edward coached at Park Ridge HS and Pascack Hills HS. At Park Ridge, his teams won two conference championships and were state finalists. After leaving Hoboken the second time, Edward coached at William Paterson University again, Queen of Peace HS, Hackensack HS, Bergen Catholic HS, before finishing his career at St. Anthony HS, where his 2014 team finished their season as state finalists and Edward is currently employed as the Vice Principal. 44 years later, after many championships and numerous coaching accolades, Coach Stinson traded his playbook in and ended a dynamic career with a final 244-85-5 record.

In his four and a half decades, two of Edward's teams were ranked the No. 1 team in NJ, he coached four undefeated seasons from 1995 – 1999, had a 38-game and 29-game winning streak from 1994-1997 and 1998-2000 respectively, won 27 championships (six Group III championships, seven consecutive HCIAA conference championships and 14 conference championships.) He also accumulated many honors including 14 conference Coach of the Year awards, NJSCA Coach of the Year twice, the NY Giants & NFL Coach of the Year in 1997, Army All-American Bowl Coach in San Antonio, TX in 2012, the National HS Coach of the Year (Eastern Selection), American Football Magazine – Schutt Sports award in 2000, the All-American Football Foundation Award, the Gerald R. Ford All American HS Coach Award, the Frank McGuire Foundation Coaches Award and the NY Athletic Club Award. In addition to being inducted in to NJSIAA's Hall of Fame today, Edward has been inducted previously in to four other Halls of Fame: Hudson County Sports, New Jersey State Coaches Association, Hoboken HS, and Jersey City State College.