

Joe Kapheim

Appleton East High School 1979, 1980, 1981

Coach: Joseph Perez

Captain and Most Valuable: 1980, 1981

High School Events/Best Times/School Records

800m Run (1:51.79), 1600m Run (4:20.0)

400m Dash (49.2), 1600m Relay (3:21.9)

WIAA State Meet Record Set (Class A)

1981 – 800m Run (1:51.79)

Highlights

Conference

1979 – 800m Champion

1980 & 1981 – 800m and 1600m Champion

WIAA Regional/Sectional (Class A)

1980 – Runner-Up 800m (1:55.5; did not qualify for State)

1981 – Champion 800m (1:53.3) & 1600m Relay

WIAA State Meet Championships (Class A)

1981 – Champion 800m (1:51.79 – state record still standing at time of HOF Induction; ran 1:52.6 in prelims); 4th Place, 1600m Relay

College: University of Wisconsin – Madison

Attended UW-Madison on a full track scholarship

Four-Time Letter Winner

Big Ten Champion

NCAA Division I Runner-Up

Three-Time NCAA Division I All-American

USA Olympic Trials Qualifier

Named most valuable middle distance runner

Other

Named High School All-American

1981 – Undefeated in all events including relays, except for a 4th place in State Finals of the 1600m Relay

Inductees Note

“I share this award with my family, friends, teammates, and Coach Perez, all of whom helped not only in track, but helped me become the man I am today.”

Inducted 2009

