

2021 Chauncey Willingham Award for Outstanding Dragon Faculty John & Vicki Lowrey

John & Vicki Lowrey joined Carroll ISD in 1967 and from day one they played fundamental roles in the development of the district and what it means to be a Dragon. Over the course of his career, John served as a teacher, assistant coach for several sports, head coach, principal, assistant superintendent, and superintendent. He also founded the baseball program in 1969. Vicki taught at the elementary school and was honored as Teacher of the Year in 1988. She also served as the Emerald Belle director for several years, taking them to their first big competition at SMU where they won first place. Vicki officially retired from the district in 1989 but continued to substitute for many years. John retired from education in 1990 and both of them were frequently sighted at Carroll events cheering new generations of Dragons onward. Although John

passed away in 2015, Vicki has continued to support CISD, even helping to form The Tradition: The Dragon Alumni Network.

While they both were well known for their impact in the classroom and on the sidelines, their true influence was much deeper. Through their real-life examples, they taught countless Dragons the value of generosity, dedication, perseverance. They gave praise and encouragement freely, were inspirational and brilliantly motivational. You can hardly think of one of these outstanding individuals without the other. Their love and dedication to their beloved Carroll Dragons was only surpassed by their love of each other, their family, and their faith.

Their legacy lives on in the heart of every Dragon.