



Coach William
H. McKenna
~ 1990 ~

Coach Bill McKenna's place in New Rochelle Sports history is already evident by the naming of New Rochelle High School's home field in his honor, "McKenna Field." He produced some of the finest football and baseball teams New Rochelle has ever fielded by building the character of every athlete who ever played for him.

From 1932-1935 his teams had a 21 game winning streak and an overall record of 31-1-1. During that streak New Rochelle High School defeated the State Champions of Illinois, Chicago's Lane Tech 36-0. The Huguenots were crowned National Champions. Coach McKenna's over all record was 108 wins, 36 losses and 9 ties.



Richard "Dick"
Yaffa
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As a standout in both football and track, Dick left his imprint in the New Rochelle sports history. In 1949 he was captain of the NRHS football team and led Westchester County in scoring. He was first team All-County and in 1949 was selected third team All-American. His track accomplishments included WIAA Mile Championship, Section Championship in the half-mile, and a member of the mile and 2 mile relay team that were Eastern State Champions. It is no wonder that he won the NRHS Most Valuable Athlete award. At Princeton, Dick was a two year football starter at halfback and his Princeton team was ranked 6th in the country. Yaffa set school track records in the 600 and 1000 yard runs. In 1953 he won gold, silver & bronze at the Maccabiah Games in Israel representing the USA.