



Dr. Michael Johnson

**Michael Johnson, M.D.**

**Team Doctor and Super Supporter of Wynford Athletics**

A member and the president of the 1964 inaugural class of the consolidated Wynford Local School District and a member of the 2007-2008 Wynford Athletic Hall of Fame, Dr. Michael Johnson enters the Crawford County Sports Hall of Fame Class of 2019, in recognition of his years of service and support to Wynford athletics.

After finishing his senior year as a Royal, Dr. Johnson pursued a career in medicine at The Ohio State University. After medical school in Mexico and an internship in Indiana, he decided to return to Crawford County and opened his practice in Bucyrus in April 1976. He soon began to give back to his alma mater through his title of team doctor primarily with the football and boys' basketball teams along with other injuries as needed.

Another major contribution was his essential part in recruiting, arranging, and performing physicals for Wynford student-athletes. Through this process with other local physicians and nurses, Dr. Johnson served Bucyrus and Colonel Crawford making this element of high school sports convenient, accessible, and economical for parents in all three communities. This truly showed his passion for treating the community and his patients as if they were part of his own family.

As his three sons began participation in baseball, Dr. Johnson kept the scorebook, assisted their coaches, and served on the Bucyrus Little League Board. When his sons joined the Royal basketball program, he began his time at the scorer's table where he continued to volunteer in this capacity for varsity and junior varsity boys' games until January 2019. Doing this for over 25 years, he not only witnessed his sons play, but also was able to watch his grandchildren. Dr. Johnson continued to serve Wynford athletes and their injuries through his private practice alongside his son, Chris, and daughter, Shelly, until he retired.

Dr. Johnson was a resident of the Wynford School District with his wife Sally. Together they had six children, Matt and wife Cherie, Shelly and husband Steve Crall, Chris and wife Dara, Mindy and husband Jay Duke, Josh and wife Kristy, and Emily and husband Jason Norris. Dr. Johnson and Sally have 25 grandchildren. Dr. Michael Johnson was happiest when surrounded by his family and sharing his many talents with his children, grandchildren, and community.