



Andy Houpt, a 1979 GHS graduate, excelled in three sports in high school – football, basketball and track.

In football, Andy was a rare four-year letterman. He made the All-County Team as a sophomore, junior and senior. As a senior, he was the first GHS athlete to be named to the All-Conference First Team at three positions – running back, safety, and punter. That year he set two GHS records by kicking a 20-yard field goal to beat Reynolds 9-7 and scoring a season total of 109 points. He rushed for 1,021 yards leading the Trojans to a 9-1 record. A highlight came late in the Reynolds victory when Andy connected on an 80-yard punt to “flip the field” and get the Trojans out of a deep hole.

Andy’s football career continued at Wittenberg University where as a sophomore he was named Most Improved Offensive Player on a team that won the Ohio Athletic Conference championship. Andy recorded 20 receptions to lead the Tigers. He transferred to Thiel College following his sophomore year, and Andy was a first team All Presidents Athletic Conference selection at wideout with a team-leading 54 catches. He also punted and kicked for the Tomcats when needed. Andy’s football career ended with a tryout at Three Rivers Stadium for the Pittsburgh Steelers.

As a hooper, Andy lettered three seasons for Coach Fred Kiser while the Trojans posted a 66% winning percentage. He was second in team scoring at 267 points as a junior, and fought through an injury to 190 points as a senior. In track, Andy was part of a PIAA 7th place 880 relay team as a sophomore and a 6<sup>th</sup> place 4x400 relay team as a junior. Andy was an outstanding baseball player as well, playing through Senior League. He was a key player for Greenville Little League’s state runner-up All Star team in 1972.

Andy has been a key contributor to Greenville athletics over the years, coaching basketball and baseball. Andy’s sons, Nate and Luke, both became star athletes at GHS on the court and field.