



James (Jim) Hinz ***CLASS OF 1964***

James Hinz was Park's first ever state champion in wrestling. He took second in 1963, and then took first in 1964 in the 175 pound weight class. Jim pinned all four of his opponents at the state tournament on his way to the state title. During his sophomore through senior years

Jim wrestled at 175 lbs. and amassed a record of 77-5-1 with 62 of those victories resulting from pins. At the time, this was a National High School Prep Record. In 1964 Jim was award High School Honor Roll Team which was the equivalent of being All- American.

In 1964, Jim also won the Midwest Olympic Greco-Roman and Freestyle Tournaments at 191.5 lbs. and did not have a single point scored against him. Jim continued to the finals in New York trying for a berth on the Olympic Team, but suffered an injury and had to withdraw from the tournament.

Jim is retired and currently resides in Florida with his wife, Juanita. They have one grown daughter, Shana.