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ECC Foundation Announces John Featherstone Endowed Football Scholarship

The El Camino College Foundation recently introduced a new endowed scholarship created to honor ECC alumnus and longtime football head coach John Featherstone, who retired at the end of 2015.

The announcement was made at the 27th El Camino College Athletic Hall of Fame celebration on May 5. The venerable coach made history that evening, becoming the first ever two-time El Camino College Athletic Hall of Fame inductee, named as a player in 2005 and this year as a coach.

The John Featherstone Endowed Football Scholarship honors the impact "Coach Feather" made at El Camino College and the athletic program, while recognizing young athletes who are pursuing their academic and athletic goals. The endowment will allow for annual scholarship(s) for an incoming or current El Camino College football player and will cover tuition, books and fees for one year.

"This scholarship is a lasting tribute to this Warrior, who devoted his career developing confident and successful student-athletes," said El Camino College President Dena P. Maloney. "This scholarship will ensure that Coach Featherstone's legacy will support El Camino College students well into the future."

A South Bay native and ECC graduate, Coach Featherstone completed 31 seasons with the Warrior football program. When Featherstone arrived at El Camino College in 1985 as a coach, he made a promise: to keep the winning tradition alive. He retired with the highest winning percentage of any active coach in the Southern Section of California, which includes 37 community colleges from Bakersfield to San Diego.

Whether on the field, in the classroom, or in the community, Coach Featherstone always encouraged his players to strive for excellence athletically and to pursue a college education, while representing ECC in a first-class professional manner. He was steadfast in his commitment to his students' success, on and off the field.

To join past players, family, friends, and colleagues in making a donation in honor of Coach Featherstone's years of service or for more information, contact Andrea Sala at the El Camino College Foundation at foundation@elcamino.edu or 310-660-6040. Learn more about the El Camino College Foundation Scholarship Program at www.elcamino.edu/foundation/.