



### **The FCSAA announced their 2021 Women's Basketball Hall of Fame Class.**

Former GC Women's Basketball Head Coach Rooney Scovel and Former GC Assistant Coach Grover Hicks were elected into the Hall of Fame.

Coach Scovel began her career at Gulf Coast in 1996. Over the span of 22 years at the helm of the Lady Commodores Basketball program, she guided her teams to a record of 646-91 (0.877 winning %), 18 Conference Championships, 13 Region Championships and 6 National Titles.

Coach Scovel is nationally renowned for her passion, intensity and innate ability to develop players. Her teams played with class, respect for the game and unapparelled enthusiasm.

Along with having amazing successes on the court, Coach Scovel's academic successes are equally impressive. Over the course of 22 seasons she graduated over 90% of her players and consistently had players transfer to the finest 4 year academic institutions in the country.

Coach Hicks also came to Gulf Coast in 1996 as an Assistant Coach. His roll on the Lady Commodores program was instrumental in all facets of the program.

Coach Hicks is nationally regarded as one of the best offensive basketball minds in the history of United States Basketball. His ability to develop shooters has been matched by very few of his peers. Before arriving at Gulf Coast, Coach Hicks was one of the most successful high school coaches in both men's and women's basketball in Florida history.

The tandem of Rooney Scovel and Grover Hicks is generally considered to be the greatest coaching combination in NJCAA history.

Both Coach Scovel and Coach Hicks retired following the 2020 season. They will be honored at the 2021 FCSAA Women's Basketball State Tournament in Niceville, FL.

### **Awards and Hall of Fame Inductions:**

2019 United States Marine Corps/WBCA Two-Year College National Coach of the Year

2019 Spalding NJCAA DI Women's Basketball Coach of the Year

2019 Panhandle Conference Co-Coach of the Year

2019 FCSAA/NJCAA Region 8 Rooney Scovel Tournament Coach of the Year

2019-20 Week 8 HoopDirt.com/Pivot Analysis Coach of the Week

2018 Panhandle Conference Coach of the Year

2018 NJCAA Region 8/FCSAA Rooney Scovel Tournament Coach of the Year

2017 Spalding NJCAA DI Women's Basketball Coach of the Year

2017 Inducted into the Emerald Coast All Sports Association Hall of Fame  
2017 Panhandle Conference Coach of the Year  
2017 NJCAA Region 8/FSCAA Roonie Scovel Tournament Coach of the Year  
2016 Spalding NJCAA DI Women's Basketball Coach of the Year  
2016 NJCAA DI Women's Basketball Coach of the Tournament  
2016 NJCAA Region 8/FCSAA Coach of the Year  
2012 Panhandle Conference Co-Coach of the Year  
2011 Inducted into the NJCAA Women's Basketball Hall of Fame  
2010 Spalding NJCAA DI Women's Basketball Coach of the Year  
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