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## JIM ROWLAND OF NEW HAVEN HIGH SCHOOL

## NAMED FOURTH COACH OF THE WEEK FOR 2017

**Jim Rowland of New Haven High School has been named the Colts/NFL Coach of the Week, a program presented by Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield.**

**Coach Rowland was nominated and selected for this award after the Class 4A No. 6 Bulldogs improved to 4-0 on the season, defeating Class 4A No. 19 Leo, 35-33.**

The 2017 season marks the eighteenth year the Indianapolis Colts will be recognizing outstanding Indiana High School football coaches through the Colts/NFL Coach of the Week program, presented by Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield.

All high school head coaches in the state of Indiana are eligible regardless of their school size, league or division. Coaches are evaluated on various factors including the coach’s impact on his team, school and community, as well as performance of the team. The honorees are selected by a panel of high school football media, former athletic directors and other football representatives from all regions of the state.

Each Monday, following a high school football game weekend, one head coach will be announced. At the conclusion of the high school football season, each winning coach will receive a framed certificate signed by NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell, Colts Head Coach Chuck Pagano, Colts General Manager Chris Ballard and Colts Youth Football Commissioner Mike Prior, as well as a $1,000 donation from the NFL Foundation. In addition, Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield will contribute $1,000 for the school’s athletic fund.

The following coaches were recognized as honorable mentions for Week 4:

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| Region 1: Pete Koulianos – Hanover Central | Region 6: Mark Bless – Avon |
| Region 2: Tom Wogoman – Northridge | Region 7: Bill Peebles – Lawrence Central |
| Region 3: WINNER | Region 8: Kyle York – New Castle |
| Region 4: Raymond Jones – Fountain Central | Region 9: Andy Hape – Evansville Reitz |
| Region 5: Chris Overholt – Delta | Region 10: Steve Weber – Bedford N. Lawrence |

For more information, please contact Phil Andrews of the Indianapolis Colts at (317) 808-5322. Coach Rowland is also available for questions/comments at (260) 341-8546. Additional information on the program may be found at Colts.com/highschoolfootball