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## **Good Sports Are Winners! Recipients Announced For Fall Tournaments; MEEMIC Insurance To Present Awards To Finals Award Winners**

**EAST LANSING, Mich. – Jan. 21 --** The recipients of the top Michigan High School Athletic Association's **Good Sports Are Winners!** Awards for the recently-completed 2003 fall sports season have been named, with each school to receive commemorative banners and crystal trophies from MEEMIC Insurance, the Association's corporate partner in sportsmanship efforts.

Saline in boys soccer, Beal City and Rochester Adams in football, and Flint Northern in girls basketball, were selected by the tournament management at their respective finals for displaying the most exemplary sportsmanship by their coaches, student-athletes and spectators. Presentation dates at all four schools will be announced at a future date.

Saline was the runner-up in the Division 1 boys soccer tournament; Beal City was the runner-up in the Division 8 football playoffs, while Rochester Adams was the champion in the Division 2 tournament; and Flint Northern was a finalist in the Class A girls basketball tournament.

In addition to receiving the finals award, Beal City and Flint Northern were honored at the District level in their respective tournaments. For Beal City and Rochester Adams, this is the second time each school has received the Good Sports Are Winners! Award at the Finals level of MHSAA tournament play. Beal City was the 1993 recipient in baseball, and Rochester Adams won the award in 1992 in girls soccer.

The Good Sports Are Winners! Award made its return in 2002-03 with the corporate underwriting of MEEMIC Insurance. The program had previously been offered from 1989 to 1996, and again during 2000-01.

At the District and Regional level of MHSAA tournaments, all schools which meet a set of sportsmanlike standards will be recognized. There will continue to be standards in the program which would automatically disqualify a school from consideration from the award. Any team which is disqualified for the Good Sports Are Winners! Award at the District or Regional level of a tournament becomes ineligible for the award at higher levels of that same tournament.

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## 2-2-2 – Fall Good Sports Are Winners! Recipients

In all, 157 teams in girls basketball, football and boys soccer are being recognized for their outstanding sportsmanship at Fall tournaments. Those teams will be recognized through the publication of their names in the MHSAA Bulletin, the MHSAA Finals program series, and on the MHSAA Web site. During the course of the school year, over 1,000 teams will be recognized in 11 activities for their sportsmanship efforts during MHSAA tournaments.

The MHSAA is a private, not-for-profit corporation of voluntary membership by over 1,200 public and private senior high schools and junior high/middle schools which exists to develop common rules for athletic eligibility and competition. No government funds or tax dollars support the MHSAA, which was the first such association nationally to not accept membership dues or tournament entry fees from schools. Member schools which enforce these rules are permitted to participate in MHSAA tournaments, which attract approximately 1.6 million spectators each year.

MEEMIC Insurance Company, with headquarters in Auburn Hills, writes full coverage private passenger automobile protection and homeowners insurance for educational employees and their immediate families in the state of Michigan. MEEMIC was founded by teachers for teachers in 1950. Most representatives of the company are or were teachers themselves. MEEMIC's history of competitive pricing and a commitment to superior service has cultivated a tradition of teachers serving teachers and their families, our "MEEMIC Club."

The following is a list of **Good Sports Are Winners!** Award recipients as submitted by tournament managers through January 6 for the recently-completed Fall sports season (**SPORTS DIRECTORS/EDITORS** -- Please scan this list for recipients from your coverage area):

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# GOOD SPORTS ARE WINNERS!

## 2003 Fall Award Recipients

(Based on reports received at the MHSAA offices as of 1/6/04. NOTE: There can be more than one winner at each site, and not all site managers responded.)

### Boys Soccer

#### *District Awards*

##### **Division 1**

Sterling Heights

##### **Division 2**

No Managers Reports Received

##### **Division 3**

Frankenmuth

Goodrich

Lake Fenton

##### **Division 4**

Glen Arbor The Leelanau School

Leland

Maple City Glen Lake

Northport

Traverse City Christian

#### *Regional Awards*

##### **Division 1**

Royal Oak Kimball

##### **Division 2**

Fruitport

Grand Rapids Christian

Holland Christian

Petoskey

##### **Division 3**

Frankenmuth

Richmond

Saginaw Nouvel

##### **Division 4**

Adrian Lenawee Christian

Kalamazoo Heritage Christian

Marcellus

#### *Semifinal Awards*

##### **Division 1**

No Managers Reports Received

##### **Division 2**

No Managers Reports Received

##### **Division 3**

No Managers Reports Received

##### **Division 4**

Lutheran Westland

### Football

#### *Pre-District Awards*

##### **Division 1**

Detroit Catholic Central

East Kentwood

Jackson

##### **Division 2**

Adrian

Farmington

Muskegon

Taylor Kennedy

##### **Division 3**

Chelsea

##### **Division 4**

DeWitt

Linden

Paw Paw

Three Rivers

##### **Division 5**

Frankenmuth

Saginaw Swan Valley

##### **Division 6**

Fennville

Kingsley

Quincy

Schoolcraft

Suttons Bay

Vermontville Maple Valley

##### **Division 7**

Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard

Burton Bendle

Manchester

Merrill

Newberry

Reading

Sand Creek

St. Ignace

Union City

##### **Division 8**

Au Gres Sims

Bay City All Saints

Mendon

Vestaburg

#### *District Awards*

##### **Division 1**

Clinton Township Chippewa Valley

East Kentwood

Holland West Ottawa

##### **Division 2**

Adrian

Bay City Western

Hudsonville

Midland

##### **Division 3**

Battle Creek Lakeview

Charlotte

Fowlerville

Gaylord

St. Johns

##### **Division 4**

Grand Rapids South Christian

##### **Division 5**

Benzie Central

Capac

Central Montcalm

Essexville Garber

Frankenmuth

Goodrich

Grayling

##### **Division 6**

No Managers Reports Received

##### **Division 7**

East Jordan

Manchester

Mio AuSable

Sand Creek

##### **Division 8**

Baraga

Beal City

Carsonville Port Sanilac

#### *Regional Awards*

##### **Division 1**

No Managers Reports Received

##### **Division 2**

Detroit Mackenzie

Hudsonville

Lowell

##### **Division 3**

Charlotte

Farmington Hills Harrison

Stevensville Lakeshore

##### **Division 4**

Bay City John Glenn

Mt. Morris

##### **Division 5**

No Managers Reports Received

##### **Division 6**

No Managers Reports Received

##### **Division 7**

No Managers Reports Received

##### **Division 8**

Frankfort

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## 2-2-2 – Fall Good Sports Are Winners List

### *Semifinal Awards*

#### **Division 1**

No Managers Reports Received

#### **Division 2**

Hudsonville

#### **Division 3**

No Managers Reports Received

#### **Division 4**

Big Rapids

DeWitt

Richmond

#### **Division 5**

No Managers Reports Received

#### **Division 6**

No Managers Reports Received

#### **Division 7**

No Managers Reports Received

#### **Division 8**

No Managers Reports Received

### **Girls Basketball**

#### *District Awards*

##### **Class A**

Allen Park

Benton Harbor

Clio

Davison

Dearborn Heights Crestwood

East Detroit

Flint Central

Flint Kearsley

Flint Northern

Holland West Ottawa

Hudsonville

Lansing Sexton

Lansing Waverly

Lapeer West

St. Johns

Warren Cousino

Zeeland

##### **Class B**

Bay City John Glenn

Beaverton

Cheboygan

Essexville Garber

Farwell

Gladwin

Midland Bullock Creek

Ogemaw Heights

Pinconning

Saginaw Nouvel

Tawas Area

##### **Class C**

Brethren

Brown City

Cass City

Deckerville

Ithaca

Kent City

Lake City

Leroy Pine River

Manton

Marlette

Mayville

Montague

Muskegon Catholic Central

Muskegon Western Michigan Christian

Ravenna

##### **Class D**

Allen Park Cabrini

Allen Park Inter-City Baptist

Camden Frontier

Freesoil

Hillsdale Academy

Jackson Christian

Kimball New Life Christian Academy

Newport Lutheran South

North Adams Jerome

Taylor Baptist Park

Taylor Light & Life

Wyandotte Mt. Caramel

### *Regional Awards*

#### **Class A**

No Managers Reports Received

#### **Class B**

DeWitt

Hemlock

Saginaw Nouvel

Vassar

#### **Class C**

Lincoln-Alcona

Traverse City St. Francis

#### **Class D**

No Managers Reports Received

### *Quarterfinal Awards*

#### **Class A**

No Managers Reports Received

#### **Class B**

Flint Beecher

Freeland

#### **Class C**

Rapid River

Republic-Michigamme

#### **Class D**

No Managers Reports Received