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Fall Tournament Sportsmanship Honors Announced; All Recipients To Be Honored By MEEMIC Insurance

EAST LANSING, Mich. – Jan. 23 -- Over 200 teams representing over 150 schools have been selected to be recognized for displaying outstanding sportsmanship during selected Fall Michigan High School Athletic Association postseason tournament competitions through the Good Sports Are Winners! Program, and all will receive awards ranging from framed certificates to commemorative banners and crystal trophies from MEEMIC Insurance, the Association's corporate partner in sportsmanship efforts.

The program is conducted in team sports, with schools being evaluated by tournament management at District, Regional and Final Round sites. This Fall, a total of 215 teams were selected from 196 schools in tournaments conducted in girls basketball, football and boys soccer.

At the District, Regional, Quarterfinal and Semifinal levels of MHSAA tournaments, all schools which meet a set of high sportsmanlike standards are recognized. Those schools will be presented framed certificates from MEEMIC Insurance. Those teams will also 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, nearly 1,000 teams will be recognized in 15 activities for their sportsmanship efforts during MHSAA tournaments. At the Finals in those tournaments, schools judged to have met those standards are presented a crystal trophy and commemorative banner.

St. Clair in girls basketball, Macomb Dakota in football, and Livonia Stevenson in boys soccer were selected by the tournament management at their respective Finals for displaying the exemplary sportsmanship by their coaches, student-athletes and spectators. Presentation dates at each winning school will be announced at a future date. St. Clair (Class B) and Livonia Stevenson (Division 1) were finalists in their respective sports, while Macomb Dakota won the Division 1 football championship. It is the first time St. Clair or Dakota has been named a recipient of a Finals award, while Stevenson also won the boys soccer award in 1993.

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

Several schools were represented in more than one sport this fall, while only Petoskey received mention in all three sports. Girls basketball led the way with 125 schools feted, followed by 63 schools in football and 27 in boys soccer. A complete list of fall award recipients can be found on the Good Sports Are Winners! page on the MHSAA Web site.

The MHSAA is a private, not-for-profit corporation of voluntary membership by over 1,700 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, the "MEEMIC Club."

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

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GOOD SPORTS ARE WINNERS! 2007 Fall Award Recipients

(Based on reports received at the MHSAA offices as of 1.19.07. NOTE: There can be more than one winner at each site, and not all site managers responded.)

BOYS SOCCER

Adrian Lenawee Christian Battle Creek Central Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port Laker Flint Powers Catholic Frankenmuth Freeland

Grand Blanc Grand Rapids Forest Hills Eastern Grandville Calvin Christian Grosse Pointe South Hudsonville Unity Christian Jackson Christian Kalamazoo Heritage Christian

Lapeer East Macomb L'Anse Creuse North

Midland Dow Newport Lutheran South Otisville Lakeville

Petoskey Richmond Riverview **Rochester Adams**

Saline Washtenaw Christian St. Clair Shores Lake Shore Traverse City West

Wyoming Godwin Heights Wyoming Kelloggsville

FOOTBALL

Alma Au Gres-Sims Bangor John Glenn Bay City Central

Birmingham Brother Rice **Burton Bentley**

Cadillac Calumet Canton Central Lake Charlevoix Clarkston Constantine Croswell-Lexington Crystal Falls Forest Park

Davison Deckerville **Detroit Denby** DeWitt

Escanaba Flint Carman-Ainsworth Flint Powers Catholic

Fowler Frankfort Grass Lake Haslett

Highland Park Homer Ithaca

Kinde-North Huron Laingsburg Macomb Dakota Marine City

Mason County Central

Memphis Menominee Merrill Midland Milford Mio

Mt. Pleasant Sacred Heart

Muskegon

Muskegon Catholic Central Muskegon Orchard View

Negaunee New Lothrop North Muskegon Norway Peck

Petoskey Rochester Adams Rockford

Royal Oak Shrine Catholic Saginaw Heritage Saginaw Swan Valley

Saline Suttons Bay

Traverse City St. Francis

Walled Lake Central Warren DeLaSalle

Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes

Whitehall

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Addison Adrian Madison Alanson Littlefield Allen Park Cabrini Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard Ann Arbor Greenhills Au Gres-Sims Bangor

Bangor John Glenn Bay City All Saints Beaverton Benzie Central Bessemer

Biq Rapids Crossroads Academy

Blissfield

Bloom. Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood

Boyne City

Brighton Bronson Brown City Cadillac Carleton Airport Carsonville-Port Sanilac

Cass City Charlevoix Charlotte Clare

Dearborn Edsel Ford Dearborn Henry Ford

Deckerville Detroit Crockett East Grand Rapids East Jordan East Kentwood East Lansing Eaton Rapids Ellsworth Escanaba Essexville Garber

Fairview Farwell Fennville Flushing Fowler Fruitport

Genesee Christian Gobles Grand Haven

Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central Grand Rapids Ottawa Hills Grand Rapids West Catholic

Greenville

Grosse Ile

Harbor Springs Harbor Light

Christian Hartland Hillsdale Homer Hudsonville Inkster Ironwood

Jackson Lumen Christi

Jonesville

Kalamazoo Loy Norrix

Kalkaska Kent City

Kimball New Life Christian Kinde-North Huron

Kingsford Kingsley

Lake Odessa Lakewood Lansing Waverly

Lowell

Ludington Mackinaw City

Madison Heights Bishop Foley

Manistee Marlette Mattawan McBain Michigan Center Midland Bullock Creek

Milford

Monroe Jefferson Morley-Stanwood Mt. Clemens Mt. Pleasant Muskegon Oakridge Muskegon Orchard View

Napoleon **New Boston Huron** New Lothrop North Branch Oscoda Pellston

Petersburg-Summerfield

Petoskev Pinconnina Pontiac Northern Portage Central Portage Northern Portland St. Patrick

Quincy Rapid River

Riverview Gabriel Richard Romulus Summit Academy

Saginaw

Saginaw Arthur Hill Saginaw Heritage Saginaw Nouvel Sandusky Saugatuck Spring Lake St. Joseph

St. Joseph Lake Michigan Catholic St. Joseph Michigan Lutheran

Tawas Area Traverse City Central Traverse City West

Utica

Walled Lake Central Walled Lake Western Warren Lincoln White Lake Lakeland Whittemore-Prescott Williamston