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## **2006-07 Parade of Champions**

**EAST LANSING, Mich. – June 26** – A total of 99 different schools were crowned champions in Michigan High School Athletic Association post-season tournaments during the 2006-07 school year.

The past year saw a total of 122 team champions in classes or divisions, and there were three schools winning their first MHSAA titles in any sport: New Baltimore Anchor Bay in girls bowling; Macomb Dakota in football; and Zeeland West in football. In addition, there were 35 other teams which won tournament titles in a given sport for the first time.

Fourteen of the 99 schools winning in 2006-07 took more than one crown, with five schools – Birmingham Brother Rice, East Grand Rapids, Hudsonville Unity Christian, Saginaw Nouvel and Traverse City West – each claiming two championships each in unified tournaments. Brother Rice won in boys skiing and boys lacrosse; East Grand Rapids won in football and boys lacrosse; Unity Christian won in girls basketball and girls soccer; Saginaw Nouvel became the third school to ever pull off the football-girls basketball double in a school year; and Traverse City West won in girls skiing and boys soccer. Marquette again won five total titles; while Dexter won four championships, and Ann Arbor Pioneer, Brother Rice, Detroit Country Day, East Grand Rapids, and Escanaba won three titles. Eighteen of the MHSAA's 28 championship tournaments are unified, involving teams from the Upper and Lower Peninsulas, while separate competition to determine titlists in both Peninsulas is conducted in the other 10 sports.

Four schools ran nine consecutive championship streaks to four or more in a given sport, including: Ann Arbor Pioneer in girls swimming and diving (7) and boys tennis (7); Marquette in girls cross country (7), and girls swimming and diving (6); Dexter in boys cross country (5); Birmingham Groves in girls swimming and diving (4); Breckenridge in girls competitive cheer (4); Detroit Country Day in girls tennis (4); Gladstone in boys track (4); Harper Woods Regina in softball (4); and Okemos in boys tennis (4).

The following is a sport-by-sport listing of MHSAA champions for 2006-07:

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NOTE: Those tournaments in which competition is conducted in separate Peninsulas will have their class/division designated as UP for Upper Peninsula; LP for Lower Peninsula. Unified tournaments, involving schools from both peninsulas, will only list the letter/numeral of the class/division in which the competition was conducted.

Sport	Class/Division	Winning School (Coach)	Titles Won	
			Overall	Consecutive
<b>BASEBALL</b>	1	Lake Orion (Andrew Schramek)	1	--
	2	Mt. Pleasant (Luke Epple)	2	-
	3	Hillsdale (Chris Adams)	1	--
	4	Reading (Rick Bailey)	2	--
<b>BASKETBALL (Boys)</b>	A	Saginaw (Lou Dawkins)	5	--
	B	Detroit Country Day (Kurt Keener)	7	--
	C	Bath (Jeff Wonch)	2	--
	D	Cedarville (David Duncan)	1	--
<b>BASKETBALL (Girls)</b>	A	Detroit Martin Luther King (William Winfield)	5	--
	B	Hudsonville Unity Christian (Scott Soodsma)	2	--
	C	Saginaw Nouvel (Kris Hengesbach)	1	--
	<b>D</b>	<b>Frankfort (Tim Reznich)</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>BOWLING (Boys)</b>	1	Port Huron Northern (Chris Damon)	1	--
	2	Dearborn Heights Annapolis (Andy Kvamme)	1	--
	3	New Haven (Marty Alwardt)	1	--
<b>BOWLING (Girls)</b>	1	New Baltimore Anchor Bay (Brandon Dean)	1***	--
	2	<b>Coldwater (Sandra Jo Herman)</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>
	3	<b>Wyoming Kelloggsville (Jim Salzwedel)</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>COMPETITIVE CHEER (Girls)</b>	1	<b>Rochester (Susan Wood)</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>3</b>
	2	Holland Christian (Elisabeth Cunningham)	1	--
	3	Chesaning (Lisa Maike)	5	--
	4	<b>Breckenridge (Deb Gaines)</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>CROSS COUNTRY (Boys)</b>	<b>LP 1</b>	<b>Pinckney (Tom Carney)</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
	<b>LP 2</b>	<b>Dexter (Jamie Dudash)</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>
	LP 3	Erie-Mason (Matt Waldfogel)	1	--
	LP 4	Hesperia (Doug Baird)	2	--
	UP 1	Escanaba (Pat Gannon)	13	--
	<b>UP 2</b>	<b>Munising (Francis DesArmo)</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>
	UP 3	Painesdale-Jeffers (Tim Keteri)	11	--
<b>CROSS COUNTRY (Girls)</b>	LP 1	Rochester Adams (William Ciccirelli)	1	--
	<b>LP 2</b>	<b>Grand Rapids Christian (Doug Jager)</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>
	LP 3	Jackson Lumen Christi (Cecil Burch)	7	--
	LP 4	Grand Rapids NorthPointe Christian (Todd Schenck)	1	--
	<b>UP 1</b>	<b>Marquette (Dale Phillips)</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>7</b>
	UP 2	Stephenson (Peggy Grille)	8	--
	UP 3	Powers North Central (Jerry Root)	1	--
<b>FOOTBALL</b>	1	Macomb Dakota (Mike Giannone)	1***	--
	2	Muskegon (Tony Annese)	4	--
	3	East Grand Rapids (Peter Stuursma)	7	--
	4	Zeeland West (John Schillito)	1***	--
	5	Menominee (Ken Hofer)	2	--
	6	Saginaw Nouvel (Michael Boyd)	1	--
	7	Muskegon Catholic Central (Mike Holmes)	7	--
	8	New Lothrop (Jake Emmendorfer)	1	--

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			Overall	Consecutive
GOLF (Boys)	LP 1	Saline (Carol Melcher)	1	--
	LP 2	Haslett (Bill Morey)	1	--
	LP 3	Flint Powers Catholic (Bob Beach)	5	--
	LP 4	Suttons Bay (Todd Hursey)	3	--
	<b>UP 1</b>	<b>Marquette (Ben Smith)</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2</b>
	UP 2	Manistique (Mike Powers)	6	--
	UP 3	Crystal Falls Forest Park (Chris Larsen)	5	--
GOLF (Girls)	LP 1	Lake Orion (Meagan Daly)	1	--
	LP 2	Dexter (Fred Ligrow)	3	--
	LP 3	Grand Rapids South Christian (Rod Van Dyke)	1	--
	UP 1	Marquette (Ben Smith)	7	--
	<b>UP 2</b>	<b>Manistique (Mike Powers)</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>
	<b>UP 3</b>	<b>Painesdale-Jeffers (Cheryl Ruohonen)</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
GYMNASTICS (Girls)	Open	Holt (Anne Witherill)	1	--
ICE HOCKEY	1	Orchard Lake St. Mary's (Brian Klanow)	2	--
	2	Grosse Pointe South (Robert Bopp)	1	--
	<b>3</b>	<b>Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood (Andrew Weidenbach)</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>2</b>
LACROSSE (Boys)	<b>1</b>	<b>Birmingham Brother Rice (Robert Ambrose)</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>
	2	East Grand Rapids (Adam Vincent)	1	--
LACROSSE (Girls)	1	Birmingham Unified (Jen Dunbar)	1	1
	<b>2</b>	<b>Bloomfield Hills Academy of the Sacred Heart (Vicki Oakley)</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>
SKIING (Boys)	1	Birmingham Brother Rice (Rob Rhoades)	1	--
	2	Petoskey (Brewster McVicker)	10	--
SKIING (Girls)	<b>1</b>	<b>Traverse City West (Jerry Stanek)</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
	2	Boyne City (Bob Simpson)	1	--
SOCCER (Boys)	1	Traverse City West (Jason Carmien)	1	--
	2	Dexter (Scott Forrester)	1	--
	3	Richmond (Tony Kunce)	1	--
	<b>4</b>	<b>Allen Park Inter-City Baptist (Mark Kraatz)</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>
SOCCER (Girls)	<b>1</b>	<b>Novi (Brian O'Leary)</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>
	2	Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central (Josh Sheldon)	2	--
	<b>3</b>	<b>Hudsonville Unity Christian (Randy Heethuis)</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>
	4	Kalamazoo Christian (Ron Smilanich)	3	--
SOFTBALL (Girls)	<b>1</b>	<b>Harper Woods Regina (Diane Laffey)</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>
	2	Tecumseh (Kristalyn Smith)	1	--
	<b>3</b>	<b>Unionville-Sebewaing (Lary Houthoofd)</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
	<b>4</b>	<b>Allen Park Cabrini (Debbie Norman)</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
SWIMMING (Boys)	LP 1	Birmingham Brother Rice (Mike Venos)	7	--
	LP 2	Holland (Don Kimble)	2	--
	UP	Marquette (Matt Williams)	19	--
SWIMMING (Girls)	<b>LP 1</b>	<b>Ann Arbor Pioneer (Dennis Hill)</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>7</b>
	<b>LP 2</b>	<b>Birmingham Groves (Matt Watson)</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>
	<b>UP</b>	<b>Marquette (Matt Williams)</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>6</b>

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			Overall	Consecutive
TENNIS (Boys)	LP 1	<b>Ann Arbor Pioneer (Tom Pullen)</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>7</b>
	LP 2	<b>Okemos (Bryan Polston)</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>4</b>
		Portage Central (Pete Militzer)	2	--
	LP 3	East Grand Rapids (Dave Wollerman)	16	--
	LP 4	Ann Arbor Greenhills (Eric Gajar)	3	--
	UP 1	Escanaba (Dan Williams)	7	--
	UP 2	Iron River West Iron County (Brook Smith)	8	--
TENNIS (Girls)	LP 1	Ann Arbor Huron (John Veit)	5	--
	LP 2	<b>Grand Rapids Forest Hills Northern (Dave Sukup)</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>
	LP 3	<b>Holland Christian (John Knoester)</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>
	LP 4	<b>Detroit Country Day (Tom Ellis)</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>
	UP 1	Kingsford (Ellette Nyman)	4	--
	UP 2	Iron River West Iron County (Joe Serbentas)	12	--
TRACK (Boys)	LP 1	Ann Arbor Pioneer (Don Sleeman)	1	--
	LP 2	Dexter (Christopher Hanlon)	1	--
	LP 3	Detroit Country Day (David Wilson)	3	--
	LP 4	Ottawa Lake-Whiteford (Jamie Larocca)	1	--
	UP 1	<b>Gladstone (Gary Whitmer)</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>
	UP 2	Stephenson (Jeff Ives)	4	--
	UP 3	<b>Rock-Mid Peninsula (Jill VanDamme)</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>
TRACK (Girls)	LP 1	<b>Ann Arbor Pioneer (Bryan Westfield)</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>2</b>
	LP 2	<b>Detroit Renaissance (Rick Miotke)</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>3</b>
	LP 3	Albion (Michele Wilson)	1	--
	LP 4	<b>Uby (Pat Bolda)</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
	UP 1	Escanaba (Dan DeLong)	18	--
	UP 2	Ishpeming (Scott Syrjala)	1	--
	UP 3	<b>Pickford (John Benin)</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>2</b>
VOLLEYBALL (Girls)	A	Livonia Churchill (Mark Grenier)	2	--
	B	Grand Rapids South Christian (Heather Kwantes)	1	--
	C	Monroe St. Mary Catholic Central (Diane Tuller)	2	--
	D	Battle Creek St. Philip (Vicky Groat)	12	--
WRESTLING	1	Rockford (Don Rinehart)	1	--
	2	Allegan (Murray Rose)	2	--
	3	Dundee (Tim Roberts)	6	--
	4	<b>Addison (Rick Sherry)</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>

\*\*\* Indicates first team title in any sport

**NOTE** -- Repeat champions from 2005-06 are in **bold face**. The overall and consecutive title won figures are taken from the **MHSAA Web site** and a database compiled by Bill Khan of **The Flint Journal**. Names of coaches are taken from program information kits submitted or from the list of coaches each school is responsible for maintaining in the MHSAA database. If you find some of the overall and consecutive titles in error because of consolidations, schools changing names, etc., please contact John Johnson at the MHSAA office.