

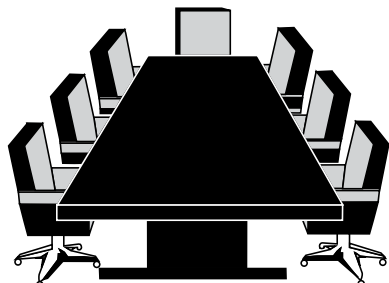


SECTION VI *newsletter*

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N.Y.S. PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION, INC.



Next Athletic Council Meeting

May 16, 2007

Lunch 11:00 am
Meeting begins at 11:30 am

Erie 1 BOCES Education Campus
355 Harlem Rd., West Seneca,
Building B, Rooms B2a-B2b

ACTION ITEMS:

Appointment of Spring Sportchairs and
Section VI Boys Sports Representative
(see page 5 for nominations)

SECTION VI - All WNY Scholar Athlete Winners

There were 252 total nominations for the Section VI All WNY Scholar Athlete award for winter sports. Of these there were: 105 new winners and 20 repeat winners from fall sports for a total of 125 total winners. Congratulations to all winners and nominees! (See page 7)

Congratulations Scholar/Athletes!!

NYS PHSAA Scholar Athlete Team State Champions

| SPORT | SECTION | SCHOOL | TEAM GPA |
|--------------------------------------|----------|---------------------------|---------------|
| Boys Basketball | 8 | The Wheatley School | 96.320 |
| Boys Bowling | 8 | Jericho High School | 95.606 |
| Boys Indoor Track | 11 | Smithtown East & West | 98.841 |
| Boys Skiing | 9 | Rondout Valley | 96.626 |
| Boys Swimming & Diving | 11 | Smithtown East & West | 98.386 |
| Girls Basketball (see page 3) | 6 | Wilson High School | 97.704 |
| Girls Bowling | 5 | Harley Allendale Columbia | 96.894 |
| Girls Gymnastics * | 8 | Cold Spring Harbor | 97.000 |
| Girls Indoor Track | 11 | Smithtown East & West | 99.513 |
| Girls Skiing | 7 | Saranac Lake | 97.216 |
| Ice Hockey | 3 | Skaneateles | 95.189 |
| Wrestling | 5 | McQuaid Jesuit | 94.851 |

*fall team
See Page 11 for the complete list of all Section VI Winter Scholar/Athlete Team Award winners.

Congratulations State Champs!!

(articles will be featured in the May Newsletter)

Winter Sports - Section VI State Champions

| | |
|------------------|--|
| Wrestling | Division 1 -130#: Matt Mariacher, Iroquois Division 2 – 135#: Kenny Betts, Fredonia |
| Indoor Track | Shot Put: Melissa Kurzdorfer, Lancaster |
| Girls Gymnastics | Balance Beam: Christine DelPrince, Lancaster and Kristina Arcury (tied) |
| Air Rifle | Rebecca Gerevics, Alden |
| .22 Cal | Kneeling: Bob Belko, Clarence |
| .22 Cal | Prone: Rebecca Gerevics, Alden |
| .22 Cal | Section VI Team |
| Diving | Nathan Geary, Lancaster |
| Girls Basketball | East Aurora - Class B |

SECTION VI Congratulates the 2007 NYSAAA Chapter VI Award Recipients!!

(see pages 3-4)

Distinguished Service Award - Don Raw, Canandaigua City Schools
Athletic Administrator Award - Len Jankiewicz, Lancaster Central
Judith Maertens Secretarial Award – Louise Dunning, Niagara Falls Public Schools
Community Service Award – Kiwanis Club of Lockport

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NEWS FROM THE STATE OFFICE

Structure & Policy Review Committee

The Ad Hoc Committee is in the process of reviewing all aspects of the NYSPHSAA. Please contact your representatives prior to their next meeting which is scheduled for March 28, 2007 with any suggestions you may have so that we provide the very best opportunities for our student athletes.

2007 Coaches Clinics

(Brochures will be forth coming)

| | | |
|---------------|-------------|------------------------|
| Field Hockey | March 23 | Radisson - Utica |
| Track & Field | March 23-24 | Radisson - Utica |
| Soccer | May 18 | Hall of Fame - Oneonta |
| Volleyball | June 15 | SUNY Oneonta |

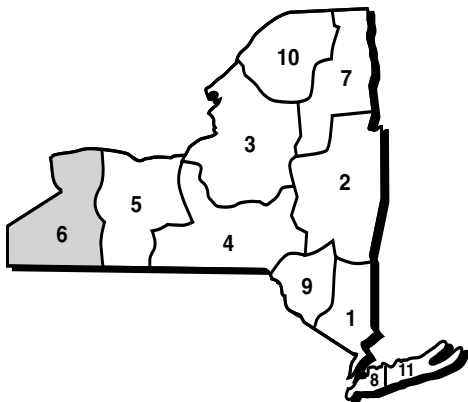
Classification Numbers

At the January meeting of the Executive Committee the official classification numbers were approved for the 2007 –2008 school year. There will be no change to the cut-off numbers, they remain:

Team Sports: Class AA 950 – up; Class A 550 – 949; Class B 325 – 549; Class C 193 – 324; Class D 192 - below

Individual Sports: Division I 600 – up; Division II 599 - below

Please reference page 147 of the NYSPHSAA Handbook for approved variations of the cut off numbers.



Announcements - Future Changes

2007-2008 Dues Increase

The NYSPH.S.AA dues will be increased by \$50 per school district (\$750.00) and .05 cents per student (.80 cents).

Soccer Shin Guards

The NFH.S. has delayed the implementation of the shin guard requirement for one year. Instead of 2007-08, shinguards must meet the National Operating Committee on Standards for Athletic Equipment (NOCSAE) standard effective with the 2008-09 season. This change was made because all manufacturers could not guarantee that shinguards would be available prior to the start of the fall (2007) season in all areas of the country.

Basketball Championships 2008

The dates for the NYSPH.S.AA Girls and Boys Basketball Tournament will be March 14-16, 2008.

Cross Country

A variation in classification numbers for two years, beginning in the 2007-2008 school year. AA 1083 and above, A 712-1082, B 468-711, C 290-467 and D 289 and below.

Boys Lacrosse

In 2008 all jerseys shall be of a single, solid color with specific trim specifications (NFH.S. rule 1-9-1).

Wrestling Championship 2008

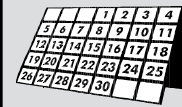
The dates for the NYSPH.S.AA Wrestling Championship are March 7,8,9, 2008 (Friday - Sunday) at the Blue Cross Arena in Rochester (V).

Scholar Athlete Team Award

Friday, March 2, 2007 is the deadline to file for the Winter 2006-2007 Scholar Athlete Team Award. Schools may file late, until March 17th, to receive pins and certificates.

On Line Coaching Courses

The NYSPH.S.AA has partnered with SUNY Cortland in offering the New York State Coaching Certification Courses on line - an asynchronous web-based program. Go to www.cortland.edu/physed for registration information.



Dates to Remember 2007

- April 16 Deadline for online **Good Sports** Assessments (& hard-copy to Section Sportsmanship Chair Doug Ames)
- April 18 Executive Committee Meeting, Distance Learning
- April 24 Finance Committee Meeting – Section VI office
- April 25 Sectional/Intersectional Committee meeting
Post Season Meeting - Winter Sports
- May 4-5 State Executive Committee Meeting, Holiday Inn Carrier Circle - Syracuse
- May 6 NYS Officials Coordinators Federation spring meeting – Syracuse
- May 11 **Good Sports** Assessments forwarded to NYSPHSAA
- May 15 Deadline for All-WNY Spring Scholar Athlete applications to the Section office

Deadline for **Spring Scholar/Athlete** Team Award Applications
- May 16 Athletic Council meeting, 11:30 am at Erie 1 BOCES, W.Seneca

Executive Committee meeting, 9:30 am at Erie 1 BOCES, W.Seneca
- May 18 Soccer Coaching Clinic at Hall of Fame, Oneonta
- June 1 **Good Sports** Assessments: State & Section award winners selected
- June 13 Executive Committee Meeting, Distance Learning sites TBA
- June 14-22 Regents Examinations
- June 15 Volleyball Coaching Clinic at SUNY Oneonta
- Aug. 7-9 State Central Committee Meeting, Crowne Plaza, Lake Placid

CONGRATULATIONS!

Section VI Winter State Scholar/Athlete Champion

Section VI is pleased to announce that the Wilson Central Girls Basketball Team achieved the State Scholar/Athlete Championship for Winter Sports!

**Wilson Girls Basketball - State Champion
with a team GPA of 97.794**

Congratulations to Wilson Central and the Varsity Girls Basketball Team for being named the New York State Public High School Athletic Association's Team Scholar Athlete Champion. Wilson's team of 13 varsity members placed first out of 352 teams in the state with a combined average of 97.794%. This is Wilson's 2nd repeat scholar athlete State Championship in 2 sports (Girls Volleyball in 04-05) and they remain as Section VI's only State Champion in the sport of Girls Basketball. Overall, Wilson has earned 5 Scholar Athlete State Championships in the last 3 years.



Pictured from left to right are: Kadie Curry, Section VI Executive Secretary Robert Dinse, Brittany Casino, Camille Ortiz, Carrie Seabert, Kimberly Winquist, Coach Larry Lash, Athletic Director Charles Jufer. Missing: Katherine Wolcott

Congratulations to the Wilson Girls Basketball team - State Scholar Athlete Champions!

NYSAAA Chapter VI Athletic Administrator Award: Len Jankiewicz

It is a privilege and an honor that Chapter VI awards Len Jankiewicz the 2007 Chapter VI Athletic Administrator Award. Len has been outstanding in the field of education for 35 years as a teacher, coach and administrator.

Len graduated from Lancaster High School in 1969. After being drafted by the Pittsburgh Pirates in the spring draft that year he decided to put a professional baseball career on hold and he enrolled at SUNY at Brockport. While at Brockport he played both baseball and football for the Golden Eagles. He was selected All-SUNYAC in baseball in 1972. In 1973, Len graduated from Brockport with a BS degree in Mathematics. It was during the summer of '73 that he signed a free agent contract and had a tryout with the New York Jets. In the fall of '73 he started his teaching career in the Clarence Central School District.

He stayed there for a year until he obtained a teaching position at his alma mater, Lancaster Central School. He has worked there ever since.

Once at Lancaster, Len has influenced the lives of a wide variety of students in so many ways. Len is currently the athletic director and football coach at Lancaster High School, which is the second largest high school in Section VI. He has been a football coach since 1974 and the AD since 1993. Len taught math at Lancaster for 20 years while also serving the district as the varsity baseball coach until 1993.

Len's dedication to children and his profession reaches far beyond the halls of LHS. Len has served as an Action on Target Trainer for Section VI. He has served as the ECIC representative to the Section VI finance committee. He is currently a

Section VI football committee chairperson, the President of the WNY football coaches association and he is on the Board of Directors and is a founding member of the WNY Chapter of the National Football Foundation.

Some of the many honors that Len Jankiewicz has received are: 2003 WNY Football Official "Coach of the Year", Section VI Class AA "Coach of the Year" in 1986, 1988, 1993, 1999, 2001. Len has also earned the Gordon Bukaty Memorial Award for "Administrator of the Year" in 2006. Len is also a member of the WNY Baseball Hall of Fame.

Len is married to his wife Robin of 21 years. They are both lifelong residents of Lancaster.

Chapter VI is proud to honor Len Jankiewicz as its Chapter VI Award winner for 2007.

NYSAAA Chapter VI Distinguished Service Award: Don Raw



Don Raw is the Superintendent of Schools that is the envy of all athletic administrators. He is knowledgeable, believes in the value of athletics and is tireless in promoting the athletic program through his own personal commitment of time and energy.

Don earned his BA in history from Hiram College in 1976. In a couple short years he earned his School District Administrator certification and his MS in Educational Administration from the University at Buffalo. He then began his career in the field of education in 1980 as a social studies teacher at Perry Central School. In 1983 he obtained his first job in administration when he became Assistant Principal in the Southwestern Central School District. He continued to move up the administrative ladder until he was hired as the Superintendent of Canaseraga Central Schools. He stayed in that position for 6 years until he became Superintendent of the Alden Central Schools. It is at that time, (1997-2006) when he did an amazing amount of work for the athletes of Section VI.

In his years at Alden, Don served the Erie County Interscholastic Conference as the Superintendent's representative to the Section VI Athletic Council. He held that position for 7 years. It was during that time that Don was instrumental in bringing order and direction to the Section VI initiative to computerize the scheduling and payment of officials. It was through his skilled leadership as chair of that Ad Hoc Committee that much was accomplished on this very sensitive topic for many stakeholders.

Don is currently the Superintendent of Schools in the Canandaigua City School District. He lives in Canandaigua with his wife and their 3 sons Chris (16), Evan (14) and Nathan (10). The three boys are all athletes as well as musicians. Don states that he plays the stereo.

It might be strange that Chapter VI gives this award to a Chapter V Superintendent but it is through his hard work and care for the athletes of Section VI that we are forever grateful.



Spring Sports Handbooks 2007

Spring Sports Handbooks have been completed and distributed to coaches and Athletic Directors. They are also posted on the Section website www.section6.wnyric.org Click on **Forms and Information** and scan down to handbooks.

Section VI Directory 2006-07 Updates

Please mark the following changes (noted in bold) on the appropriate pages of your Directory.

Page

- 2 ECIC Supt Rep: **Frank Nicotra**, Lake Shore, 926-2205, (fax) 926-2207, fnicotra@lakeshore.wnyric.org
- 13 Akron: (Interim) Supt: **George Batterson**, gbatterson@akronschools.org
- 20 Eden Superintendent: **Ronald Buggs**, Principal: **Marc Graff**
- 23 Frontier Superintendent: **Ron DeCarli**, rdecarli@frontier.wnyric.org
- 27 Ken-Ton (Acting) Supt: **Anne Marotta**, anne_marotta@kenton.K12.ny.us
- 31 Medina new AD: **Matthew McKenna** (S) 585-798-9084 (H) 568-0539 (C) 812-3852 mmckenna@medinacsd.org
- 32 N. Collins: **Bill Weidner** (c) 289-7961
- 35 Ripley Superintendent: **John Hogan**
- 36 Seneca Vocational Principal: **Pamela Rutland**
- 37 Sherman Superintendent: **Thomas Schmidt**, **Principal Sam Pellerito**
- 37 Sherman High School Principal: **Sam Pellerito** spelleri@sherman.wnyric.org
- 38 Southwestern new AD: **Kevin Salisbury**, (S) 484-6840 (H) 463-6215 (C) 397-1832, salisbury@swms.wnyric.org
- 39 Sweet Home Principal: **Joleen Reinholtz**, jreinholz@sH.S..k12.ny.us
- 48 Niagara Frontier Umpires: **President-Jim Majka**, **V.Pres- Roy Slaper**, (H) 688-4441 (c) 698-6898 njslaper@aol.com
- 49 NYS Cert. Swim Officials Jamestown: New Assignor- **Cherril Castle**, 484-8101 cherril@localnet.com

Centralized Management of Sports Officials

As a result of an investigation by the Ad Hoc Committee on Central Management of Officials and the Section 6 office, the Athletic Council at the January 17, 2007 meeting, **endorsed TheArbiter**, (to replace LeagueMinder) as the program for Central Management and Assignment of Officials effective with school year 2007-2008. The unique purpose of The Arbiter is *management of officials* which they have developed and perfected over a period of 22 years.



The Section rationale for this endorsement is that two major functions for the Section will be served:

- Management of all sports officials who provide service to Section VI member schools, with respect to SAVE legislation.
- Meeting the assigning needs of all leagues.

The Section office is in the process of setting up the account. All Section 6 sports officials must join TheArbiter and sign-in to the Section 6 account. NOTE: There is **NO COST** to sports officials. By mid-April, all fingerprinted fall sports officials will receive a welcome email from the Section office (cszczesny@e1b.org). Officials are asked to please JOIN & SIGN-IN as soon as they receive the welcome. The Section will perform the initial assignment of officials for fall sports 2007 where multiple leagues share officials*. These sports officials must enter their availability into their calendar on TheArbiter by mid-May. NOTE: These initial assignments will be made using only the officials that are signed-in to TheArbiter.

Appreciation is extended in advance to sports officials, assigners, and athletic offices for their cooperation and patience with this project. The use of TheArbiter will streamline the Section task of compliance with SAVE legislation for sports officials as required by the Superintendents, as well as move the Section forward in the resolution of the problems created when multiple leagues share officials.

*Cross Country, Boys and Girls Soccer, Boys and Girls Volleyball, Girls Swim and Field Hockey.

Nominations Being Accepted

REMINDER : Section VI positions open for nominations are: Section VI **Boys Sports Representative** to the Central Committee and all **Spring Sport Chairperson** positions. Any member in good standing of the professional staff of a member school may serve as a Sport Chairperson. Appointments will be made at the Athletic Council meeting in May. The Boys Sports Representative will serve a term of four years beginning Sept. 1, 2007. Current nominations include **Don Scholla, Olean**, for re-appointment (term expires 8/31/07). The Spring Chairpersons will be appointed for a three-year term to expire June 30, 2010. Nominations will be accepted until the Athletic Council meeting May 16 when appointments will be made.

Current nominees are:

| | |
|---------------|---|
| Baseball | Bob Kowal |
| Golf (B) | David Gilson |
| Golf (G) | Jim Rusin |
| Lacrosse (B) | John Faller |
| Lacrosse (G) | Doug Kohler & Pam Maryjanowski as co-chairs |
| Softball | Larry Lash & Mark Kruzynski as co-chairs |
| Tennis (B) | Terry McMahon |
| Track & Field | Paul Ksionzyk (B) / Walt McLaughlin (G) |

Please forward all nominations to the Section VI office, 355 Harlem Rd., West Seneca, NY 14224 cszczesny@e1b.org



Interscholastic Coaching Certification Courses Summer Courses - 2007-2008

Erie 2-Chautauqua-Cattaraugus BOCES

To register call 672-4371 x2061 or 800-344-9611

Philosophy, Principles and Organization of Athletics in Education

June 25,26,27,28,29, 2007 8:15 am - 3:30 pm

Health Science Applied to Coaching

July 2,3,5,6, 2007 8:15 am - 3:45 pm

Theory and Techniques of Coaching

June 18,19,25,26, 2007 5:30 pm - 9:30 pm

CPR

August 6, 2007 5:30 pm - 9:30 pm

Adult/Child CPR/AED

Session A: July 16, 2007 5:30 pm - 9:30 pm

Session B: August 13, 2007 5:30 pm - 9:30 pm

First Aid Skills and Knowledge Update

Session A: July 9 & 10, 2007 5:30 pm - 9:30 pm

Session B: July 23, 2007 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

First Aid Skills and Knowledge

August 6,7,8,9, 2007 5:30 pm - 9:30 pm

Erie 1 BOCES

To register call Phil Coyle 821-7530 or Denise Polanski 821-7583

Philosophy, Principles and Organization of Athletics in Education

July 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 2007 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

July 16 8:00 am - 1:00 pm

Hamburg High School, 4111 Legion Dr.,
Hamburg, NY 14075

Health Science Applied to Coaching

July 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 2007 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Maryvale High School, 1050 Maryvale Dr.,
Cheektowaga, NY 14225

Theory and Techniques of Coaching

Mon. & Wed. June 11, 14, 18, 20, 2007 5:30 am - 10:00 pm

Hamburg High School, 4111 Legion Dr.,
Hamburg, NY 14075

Tues. & Thurs. July 10, 12, 17, 19, 2007 8:30 am - 1:00 pm

Sweet Home High School, 1901 Sweet Home Rd.,
Amherst, NY 14228

2007 SPRING SPORTS SECTIONAL/ REGIONAL/ STATE DATES

| BASEBALL | CLASS | DATE | Rain Date | LOCATION |
|--------------------|--------|-----------|-----------|---------------------------------------|
| Seeding Meeting: | | May 22 | | Eden High School 7:00 |
| Qualifier: | A-B | May 24 | May 25 | Higher Seed - 5:00 pm |
| Pre-Quarters: | AA-C-D | May 24 | May 25 | Higher Seed - 5:00 pm |
| | A-B | May 25 | May 26 | Higher Seed - 5:00 pm |
| Quarters: | AA-C-D | May 25 | May 26 | Higher Seed - 5:00 pm |
| | A-B | May 29 | May 30 | Higher Seed - 5:00 pm |
| Semifinals: | AA-C-D | May 29 | May 30 | Higher Seed - 5:00 pm |
| | A-B | May 31 | June 1 | Higher Seed - 5:00 pm |
| Sectionals Finals: | D | May 31 | June 1 | Diethrick Park, Jamestown - times TBA |
| | AA-C | June 1 | June 2 | Diethrick Park, Jamestown - times TBA |
| | A-B | June 2 | June 3 | Diethrick Park, Jamestown - times TBA |
| Regionals: | AA, C | June 4 | June 6-8 | Diethrick Park, Jamestown - times TBA |
| | B | June 5 | June 6-8 | Diethrick Park, Jamestown - times TBA |
| | A, D | June 5 | June 6-8 | Section 5: Location TBA |
| States: | | June 9-10 | June 10 | Section 4: Binghamton , Endicott |

| SOFTBALL | CLASS | DATE | LOCATION |
|------------------|-------------|--------|--|
| Seeding Meeting: | | May 22 | Depew HS 7:00 |
| Qualifiers: | AA,A,B | May 24 | Higher Seed - 4:30 |
| Pre-Quarters: | AA,A,B, C,D | May 25 | Higher Seed - 4:30 |
| Quarters: | AA,A,B, C,D | May 29 | Higher Seed - 4:30 |
| Semifinals: | AA,A,B, C,D | May 31 | Higher Seed - 4:30 |
| Finals: | AA,A,B, C,D | June 9 | Niagara Falls HS D-2:00 field1, C-3:00 field2, B-4:30 field1, A-5:30 field2, AA-7:00 field1 |
| Regionals: | AA,A, B | June 5 | SUNY Brockport (5) B-1pm(tentative) A-3:00, AA-5:00 |
| | C, D | June 5 | Jamestown D - 4:00, C - 5:00 |
| States: | | June 9 | BAGSI, Binghamton, Section 4 |

| BOYS GOLF | DATE | LOCATION |
|------------------|----------|--|
| State Qualifier: | May 14 | Briarwood Country Club, Hamburg, NY |
| States: | June 2-4 | Cornell University, Ithaca, NY |

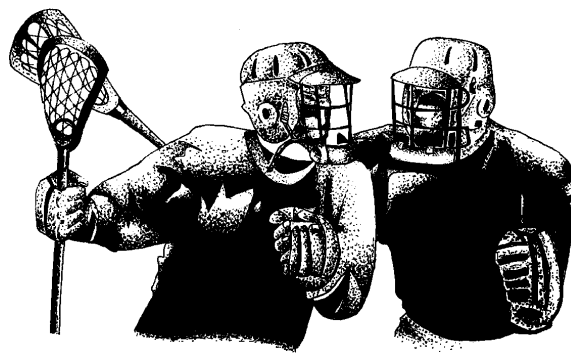
| GIRLS GOLF | DATE | LOCATION |
|------------------|-----------|---|
| State Qualifier: | May 22 | Brookfield Country Club |
| States: | June 9-10 | Foxfire Golf Club, Baldwinsville (Section 3) |

| LACROSSE (Boys) | DATE | LOCATION |
|---------------------|--------|--|
| Seeding Meeting: | May 22 | Sweet Home HS |
| Quarter-finals | May 25 | Higher Seed 5:00 pm (tentative) |
| Semifinals: | May 30 | Higher Seed 5:00 pm (tentative) |
| Finals: | June 1 | Amherst HS (tent)- C-3:30, B-5:30, A-8:00 |
| Far West Regionals: | June 5 | St. John Fisher, Section 5 - B-3:30, C-5:30, A-8:00 |
| State Semifinals: | June 7 | St. John Fisher, Section 5 |
| Finals: | June 9 | Cicero N. Syracuse HS - B-11:00, C-1:30, A-4:00 |

| LACROSSE (Girls) | DATE | LOCATION |
|-------------------------|-----------|----------------------------|
| Seeding Meeting: | May 15 | Via E-mail |
| Pre-Quarters: | May 17 | Higher Seed |
| Quarters: | May 22 | Higher Seed |
| Semifinals: | May 24 | Higher Seed |
| Post Season Meeting | May 29 | West Seneca West HS - 7:00 |
| Finals: | May 31 | Amherst High School |
| Far West -Regionals: | June 2 | Section 5 site TBA |
| States: | June 8 -9 | SUNY Cortland, Section 3 |
| Senior All-Star Contest | June 13 | Canisius College |

| TENNIS (Boys) | DATE | LOCATION |
|--------------------------|----------------|---|
| Seeding Meeting: | May 20 | South Towns Tennis Club - 9:00 a.m. |
| Sectional Entry due date | May 21 | |
| Sectionals: | May 22 - 25 | Lancaster High School 3:00 p.m. |
| States: | May 31- June 2 | National Tennis Center, Flushing Meadows, NY |

| TRACK (Boys & Girls) | DATE | LOCATION |
|----------------------------------|----------------|--|
| State Qualifier entry close date | May 27 2:00 pm | |
| State Qualifier: | June 1- 2 | Starpoint HS — 12:00 Noon (each day) |
| States: | June 8- 9 | Dietz Memorial Stadium, Kingston Section 9 |



CONGRATULATIONS to the SECTION VI All WNY Winter Scholar Athletes

Section VI has selected the winners of the All WNY Scholar Athlete award for winter sports. There were 252 total nominations for the Section VI of which 105 were selected as new winners and 20 repeat winners from fall sports for a total of 125 total winners. Congratulations to all winners and nominees!! The criteria for this award are: Overall grade point average of 90 or above for six semesters, Starter or important reserve, Seniors only. The nomination form can be found on the section website. Click on Forms and Information, then on All-WNY.

Winter Scholar Athlete Winners

* Indicates a repeat winner from fall sports

Boys Basketball

Matthew Bender, Holland Central
 Andrew Dlugosz, Bishop Timon-St. Jude H.S.
 Timothy Dorsheimer, Frontier Central
 Peter Evaldi, Orchard Park High School
 Aaron Foote, Niagara Wheatfield Central
 Andy Heim, Williamsville East H.S.
 Christopher Johnson, Wilson Central
 Timothy Karl, Clarence Central
 Michael McGinnis, Falconer Central
 Shane Nelson, Lake Shore Central
 Justin Phipps, Royalton-Hartland Central
 Thomas Ruffino, Nichols School
 Eric Schnirel, Sweet Home High School
 Joshua Senior, Lake Shore Central
 Chris Skubis,* Clarence Central
 Colton Steiner, Springville-Griffith Institute

Girls Basketball

Pooja Bakhai,* Williamsville East H.S.
 Jodi Battaglia, Amherst High School
 Karen Bellanoca, Grand Island High School
 Katelynn Benzing, Immaculata Academy
 Stephanie Chinchon,* Ellicottville Central
 Olivia Cox, City Honors High School
 Erin Crawford, City Honors High School
 Meaghan Daley,* Buffalo Acad/Sacred Heart
 Chloe Emerling, Springville-Griffith Institute
 Christine Fretthold,* North Tonawanda H.S.
 Amy Hromowyk, North Tonawanda H.S.
 Katherine Keller, Buffalo Acad/Sacred Heart
 Mary Kruszka, Immaculata Academy
 Stephanie Makin,* Holland Central
 Rosemarie E. Matias, City Honors H.S.
 Jessica Nelson, Allegany-Limestone Central
 Katherine Ostroot, Williamsville South H.S.
 Jillian Piaggione, Williamsville North H.S.
 Elizabeth M. Reid, Amherst High School
 Gina Ricotta, Buffalo Acad/Sacred Heart
 Rebecca Roach, West Valley Central
 Melissa Rogers,* Clarence Central
 Michele Schaffer, Niagara Wheatfield Central
 Meghan Scheidemann, Williamsville East H.S.
 Elizabeth A. Subjeck,* Buffalo Acad/Sacred Heart
 Eletha Thompson, Hutch Tech High School
 Katherine M. Tretter, Akron Central School
 Jilynn Werth, North Tonawanda H.S.

Boys Bowling

Phillip Cortellucci, City Honors High School
 Matthew Francis, Clarence Central
 Justin Hefka, Canisius High School
 Daniel Kaminski, Sweet Home High School
 William Klein, Sweet Home High School
 Austin Miller, Holland Central
 Zachary Miller,* Williamsville East H.S.
 David Paskiewicz, Frontier Central
 Marcellus Robinson, Leonardo da Vinci H.S.
 John Vallone,* Holland Central

Girls Bowling

Naomi Bean, Olean High School
 Danielle Bednarz, Allegany-Limestone Central
 Amanda Gonter, Holland Central
 Sarah Hillman, Niagara Wheatfield Central
 Angela M. Panfil, Maryvale Central School
 Tara Slowik, Frontier Central
 Laura Zientek, Holland Central

Ice Hockey

Nathan Boyer, Amherst High School
 Alex Esposito, Sweet Home High School
 Benjamin Mesi, Canisius High School
 Scott Moser, Kenmore West High School
 Ryan Mura,* St. Joseph's Collegiate Institute
 Sean O'Neill, Kenmore East High School
 William (Andy) Page, Kenmore West H.S.
 Andrew Ross, Williamsville East H.S.
 Robert Schreck, St. Joseph's Collegiate Institute
 Ryan Ventura, Frontier Central
 Anna Whistler, Nichols School

Boys Indoor Track

Jacob Buckley, St. Francis H.S.
 Ken Duge, Clarence Central
 Nicholas Fille, St. Francis H.S.
 Gregory Losi, Williamsville North H.S.
 Matthew Losi, Williamsville North H.S.
 Michael O'Hara, Clarence Central
 Ryan Poley, Sweet Home High School
 Daniel Simich, Holland Central
 Michael Simich,* Holland Central
 Alan Stier, Iroquois Central
 Andrew Wong,* Amherst High School

Girls Indoor Track

Amanda English, West Seneca West H.S.
 Caitlin George,* Clarence Central
 Lindsay Kosinski,* West Seneca West H.S.
 Gabrielle Lorenzo, West Seneca West H.S.
 Jaime Mund, Holland Central
 Megan Niblock, Sweet Home High School
 Elizabeth Zoe Welch, Orchard Park H.S.

Rifle

Shawn Goeller, Clarence Central
 Alison Lankes, Clarence Central
 Erin McDowell, Lancaster Central
 Krista Pundt, Clarence Central

Boys Swimming

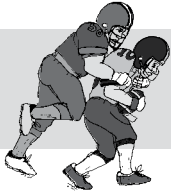
Alden Campagna, Lockport Senior H.S.
 Daniel Carver, Canisius High School
 Michael Chiponis, Lockport Senior H.S.
 Jean-Gabriel Coignet, Williamsville East H.S.
 Grady Gambrel, Southwestern Central
 Nathan Geary, Lancaster Central
 Deleon Hughes, McKinley High School
 Michael Maloury, Hutch Tech High School
 Derek Mittlefehldt, Sweet Home High School
 Brad Muldrow, City Honors High School
 Arjun Pravin, Williamsville East H.S.
 Mrinal Rath, Williamsville East H.S.
 Rutwik Rath, Williamsville East H.S.
 David Rousseau,* Frontier Central
 Robert Solan,* Allegany-Limestone Central
 Robert Stevens, Southwestern Central
 George Todino, Niagara Wheatfield Central

Girls Swimming

Anne Sharpe, City Honors High School
 Erica Penna, Hutch Tech High School

Wrestling

A. Bergen Ackerman, St. Joseph's Collegiate Institute
 Nathanael Carbrey, Williamsville North H.S.
 Benjamin Dessoie, Williamsville North H.S.
 Matthew Johnson,* St. Joseph's Collegiate Institute
 Jacob Karl, Allegany-Limestone Central
 Michael Keleher, Canisius High School
 Andrew McCauley, Amherst High School
 Ryan Murray, Sweet Home High School
 Thomas Rozborski, St. Joseph's Collegiate Institute
 Ignacio Salas, Canisius High School
 Arjun Sheth, Nichols School
 Richard Walter, Clarence Central



Always a winner...

by Doug Ames, Section VI Sportsmanship Coordinator
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Section VI Coaches Sportsmanship Award

The Section VI Sportsmanship Committee is encouraging nominations for the Section VI Coaches Sportsmanship Award. At the end of 2006-07, the sportsmanship committee will select one coach per league in Section VI to receive the Sportsmanship Award. A coach selected to receive the award will be a coach who treats all teammates, opponents, coaches, and officials with the utmost respect and within the standards set by the coach's code of conduct.

Administrators, coaches, or league chairmen are encouraged to nominate a coach who illustrates or captures the spirit of "sportsmanship" and deserves recognition. Complete the nomination form on the Section VI website (click on Forms...) and fax it to Douglas Ames at Newfane Central Schools fax (716) 778-6559. Supporting information can also be emailed to coachncs@adelphia.net. Awards will be presented to the coaches at the Section VI Annual Recognition Dinner in the summer of 2007.

All WNY Good Sports Selections

Winter sports chairpersons MUST submit the All WNY Good Sport selections for their respective sport and corresponding leagues or divisions to the Sportsmanship Coordinator, Douglas Ames. Each recipient named will receive a certificate and a sportsmanship patch for their varsity school jacket. Each school named will be recognized with a letter, copied to the district superintendent, noting their accomplishment. The end result of this endeavor will be recognition across WNY of our outstanding teams and individuals in each of our interscholastic sports for the spring season. New York State Public High School Athletic Association member schools across the state make "sportsmanship" a premier concern. We can make it happen in Section 6 with a little extra effort!

The established criteria for an All-WNY Good Sport is a team or student athlete who:

- Has learned to value and practice sportsmanship behavior.

- Has displayed excellent characteristics of good citizenship, honesty, generosity, and self-discipline.
- Has a sincere concern for his or her own commitment to fair play.
- Celebrates victory or loss with respect.
- Gives the very best effort regardless of the outcome.
- Keeps it all in proper perspective.

NYSPHSAA Assessment for New York Good Sports Program

Each year Section VI and the NYSPHSAA recognize those districts that have made an exemplary effort in their promotion of good sportsmanship at the local level. Allegany-Limestone, Barker, Frontier, Kenmore West, Lancaster, Lockport, Olean, Panama, Salamanca and Southwestern are Section 6 schools that have received this prestigious award in the past several years. The prospect of having someone evaluate your program or the assessment tool itself should not intimidate administrators. It truly is a vehicle by which we measure the progress we're making in this area of sportsmanship with our current programs. The Section VI Athletic Council is looking for 100 % participation from our member schools, so please take the time on behalf of your student athletes and coaches to complete the assessment today.

To submit your online assessment, go to www.nysphsaa.org to first review this document, and then select the following link: [Good Sports Online Assessment](#). Once selected you will be prompted to enter your assigned State Education Code (SED code). The online assessment application will guide you through the process. If you have difficulties contact Douglas Ames, sportsmanship coordinator at Newfane High School (778-6560). The timeline for this process is:

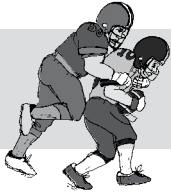
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| April 16 | All assessments are to submitted. |
| May 11 | Section Coordinators forward documentation to the State Association |
| June 1 | Section plaques will be ordered for delivery to coordinators |

PRIOR to June 31 the selection committee will convene to choose the banner schools.

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Workshop Rescheduled: Life of an Athlete Year 3 - Coaches Effectiveness

This mandatory seminar (cancelled in Feb. due to weather) has been rescheduled for **MONDAY APRIL 23 at Sweet Home High School (Conference Room) 8:30am - noon.** Section VI will sponsor Mr. John Underwood, Founder and Director of the American Athletic Institute, in cooperation with the New York State Public High School Athletic Association and the NYS Chemical Health Committee, to conduct the workshop for Year 3 of the 5-Year Program entitled Life of an Athlete. The Year 3 Workshop will address Coaches Effectiveness, to assist coaches with all-important task of providing appropriate guidance and direction for their athletes. Attendance at each of the five annual workshops is mandated by NYSPHSAA.

Section VI will provide the seminar and materials for member schools at no charge. Those being trained will receive a master copy of all materials, including a copy of the PowerPoint CD with accompanying dialogue needed to conduct preseason meetings for students, parents, and coaches. Suggested participants include Athletic Director, high school and/or middle school administrators, modified and JV coaches, school nurse and/or varsity coach.

Reminder that attendance is mandatory for Athletic Directors (or a designee). Athletic Directors are asked to pre-register with the Section VI office 821-7299.

The Virtue of Sportsmanship and the Virtues of a Life Lived Well

As I have argued, sports provide an extra arena in which good character can be developed and practiced. Sport is surely not the only arena in which young people can learn to be persistent, determined, respectful, trustworthy, courageous, responsible, fair, and honest. If young student athletes devote themselves to any practices in which there are standards of excellence, traditions, and learned teachers, such virtues can be developed. Young violinists as well as young gymnasts have an opportunity to practice virtue. But sports are important and pervasive in our lives. In sports we have ample opportunities to help young and old athletes become the kind of people who will not only

be successful and respected in the world of high school sports, but in life as well. And even the more mature members of the sports world: coaches, administrators, and parents, will have significant and unique moral challenges to confront as they respond to the tensions and dramatic resonances of competitive athletics. Sports may not be everything, but it can have real existential bite!

Sports and life are connected, not because there are winners and losers in life, but because good character matters in both! Aristotle described the goal of a human life this way: *"We reach the conclusion that the good man is an activity of the soul in conformity with excellence or virtue, and if there are several virtues, with the best and most complete"*. In the sense, moral education in athletics, that is, education in excellence of character, can prepare young student athletes for life. Courage, discipline, fairness, "simply put – these are good things".

Time for a sport thought...

- Is teaching of sportsmanship a part of your coaching? What are the specific ways in which you reinforce the value of sportsmanship?
- In what ways do you set a good example for sportsmanship behavior? In what ways do you set a bad example?
- Do you allow unsportsmanlike behavior in practice that you wouldn't allow in a game? What do you do in practice to help your players develop the habit of respect for others for the game?
- Can you think of examples you have witnessed of players showing disrespect for an official, coach, or parent? How do you handle these events?



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Classification Numbers for 2007-2008

(Grades 9-11 plus prorated ungraded from 10/06 BEDS- NYSPHSAA approved Jan. 07)
 Classification numbers can be printed down from www.section6.wnyric.org

Cut-off numbers for Team Sports:

5 classes: Baseball, Softball, B&G Basketball, B&G Soccer
 AA: 950&cup, A: 550-949, B: 325-549,
 C: 193-324, D: 0-192

4 classes: Bowling
 A: 801&cup, B: 401-800, C: 215-400, D: 0-214

3 classes: B. Lacrosse: A: 1000 &cup, B: 650-999, C: 0-649
 F. Hockey A: 915 &cup, B: 450-914, C: 0-449

Cut-off numbers for Individual Sports:

Division I: 600 & up, Division II: 0-599

Sport Specific Classification cut-off numbers:

C.Country: AA: 1083 &cup, A: 712-1182, B: 468-711,
 C: 290-467, D: 0-289 (for 07-08, 08-09)

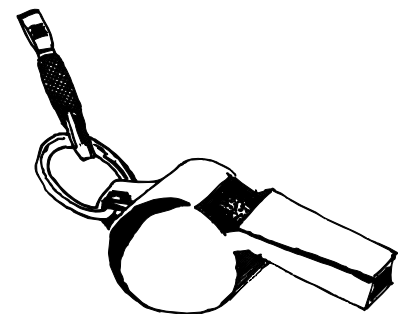
Football: AA: 1001 &cup, A: 625-1000, B: 401-624,
 C: 276-400, D: 0-275

B.Volleyball A: 800 &cup, B: 400-799, C: 0-399

G Lacrosse: A: 1134 &cup, B: 750-1133, C: 0-749

G.Volleyball: AA: 1020 &cup, A: 690-1019, B: 436-689
 , C: 270-435, D: 0-269 (for 06-07)
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| Niagara Falls H.S. | NFL | 1846 | Maryvale H.S. | ECIC | 636 | Barker Central | NO | 267 |
| Lancaster Central | ECIC | 1536 | Lewiston Porter C.S. | NFL | 634 | Cattaraugus-Little Valley | Chaut | 256 |
| Lockport Senior H.S. | NFL | 1346 | Dunkirk Public Schools | Chaut | 599 | Charter / Applied Tech. | | 242 |
| Frontier Central | ECIC | 1328 | Depew H.S. | ECIC | 597 | Chautauqua Lake | Chaut | 239 |
| Orchard Park Central | ECIC | 1321 | Buffalo East | Buffalo | 594 | Frewsburg Central | Chaut | 232 |
| Kenmore West H.S. | NFL | 1317 | Springville-Griffith Instit. | ECIC | 557 | Portville Central | Catt | 228 |
| Clarence Central | ECIC | 1306 | Tonawanda Sr H.S. | ECIC | 555 | Randolph Central | Chaut | 226 |
| North Tonawanda H.S. | NFL | 1233 | East Aurora H.S. | ECIC | 554 | Maple Grove H.S. | Chaut | 222 |
| Williamsville North H.S. | ECIC | 1185 | Lackawanna H.S. | ECIC | 554 | Franklinville Central | Catt | 210 |
| W.Seneca West H.S. | ECIC | 1165 | Olean H.S. | Chaut | 515 | Westfield Acad. & C.S. | Chaut | 195 |
| Niagara Wheatfield | NFL | 1123 | Alden Central | ECIC | 514 | Pine Valley Central | Chaut | 189 |
| Jamestown H.S. | ECIC | 1106 | Fredonia Central | Chaut | 503 | Brocton Central | Chaut | 177 |
| Sweet Home H.S. | ECIC | 988 | Newfane Senior H.S. | NO | 495 | Panama Central | Chaut | 174 |
| Hamburg Central | ECIC | 974 | Medina Central | NO | 472 | Ellicottville Central | Catt | 173 |
| Riverside H.S. | Buffalo | 963 | Southwestern Central | Chaut | 455 | North Collins Central | Catt | 165 |
| Kenmore East H.S. | NFL | 885 | Buffalo Arts Academy | Buffalo | 436 | Forestville Central | Chaut | 164 |
| McKinley H.S. | Buffalo | 882 | Eden Central | ECIC | 435 | Hinsdale Central | Catt | 117 |
| W.Seneca East H.S. | ECIC | 862 | Akron Central | NO | 422 | West Valley Central | Catt | 117 |
| Grand Island H.S. | NFL | 837 | Burgard Vocational H.S. | Buffalo | 417 | Sherman Central | Chaut | 111 |
| Hutchinson Tech. H.S. | Buffalo | 835 | City Honors | Buffalo | 412 | Ripley Central | Chaut | 102 |
| Lake Shore Central | ECIC | 807 | John F. Kennedy H.S. | ECIC | 393 | Clymer Central | Chaut | 97 |
| South Park H.S. | Buffalo | 795 | Wilson Central | NO | 373 | Seneca Vocational H.S. | Buffalo | 80 |
| Iroquois Central | ECIC | 791 | Falconer Central | Chaut | 355 | | | |
| Williamsville East H.S. | ECIC | 788 | Gowanda Central | Chaut | 354 | | | |
| Grover Cleveland H.S. | Buffalo | 750 | Royalton-Hartland | NO | 353 | | | |
| Starpoint Central | ECIC | 746 | Cleveland Hill H.S. | ECIC | 340 | | | |
| Bennett H.S. | Buffalo | 737 | Allegany-Limestone | Chaut | 324 | | | |
| Williamsville South H.S. | ECIC | 736 | Cassadaga Valley | Chaut | 324 | | | |
| Amherst Central | ECIC | 735 | Emerson Vocational | Buffalo | 317 | | | |
| Lafayette H.S. | Buffalo | 712 | Salamanca Central | Chaut | 314 | | | |
| Albion Central | NO | 683 | Holland Central | ECIC | 311 | | | |
| Pioneer Central | ECIC | 673 | Leonardo da Vinci H.S. | Buffalo | 298 | | | |
| Cheektowaga Central | ECIC | 666 | Silver Creek Central | Chaut | 288 | | | |



SCHOLAR/ATHLETE TEAM AWARD PROGRAM



The NYSPHSAA, Inc. believes that the athletic participation of students enhances their academic performances. To support this belief, The Scholar/Athlete Team Award Program was begun in 1991. Varsity teams who earn a 90.0% or higher average during their sport season qualify for the NYSPH. S.A.A award. The Pupil Benefits Plan, Inc. became the co-sponsor of the program in 1995.



Section VI Team Award Winners – Winter 2007

***State Champion*

Boys Basketball

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|---------------------------|--------|
| Olean | 94.200 |
| Frontier | 94.071 |
| Clarence | 93.943 |
| Depew | 93.557 |
| Newfane | 93.357 |
| Pine Valley | 92.617 |
| Westfield | 92.471 |
| Williamsville East | 92.440 |
| Iroquois | 92.229 |
| Williamsville North | 92.199 |
| Wilson | 91.851 |
| Akron | 91.548 |
| Medina | 91.443 |
| Albion | 91.402 |
| Holland | 91.199 |
| Cassadaga Valley | 90.991 |
| Lake Shore | 90.943 |
| Lockport | 90.850 |
| Fredonia | 90.666 |
| Lewiston Porter | 90.614 |
| Kenmore West | 90.561 |
| North Tonawanda | 90.486 |
| Alden | 90.395 |
| Niagara-Wheatfield | 90.344 |
| Allegany-Limestone | 90.243 |
| Grand Island | 90.143 |
| Chautauqua Lake | 90.000 |

Boys Bowling

| | |
|---------------------------|--------|
| Depew | 94.039 |
| Alden | 93.757 |
| Clarence | 93.683 |
| Sweet Home | 93.156 |
| Holland | 92.822 |
| Lancaster | 92.729 |
| West Seneca West | 92.399 |
| Williamsville North | 92.306 |
| Eden | 92.271 |
| Iroquois | 91.947 |
| Williamsville East | 91.729 |
| Frontier | 91.665 |
| West Seneca East | 91.501 |
| Hamburg | 90.529 |
| Kenmore West | 90.423 |

Boys Indoor Track

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|---------------------------|--------|
| Clarence | 95.972 |
| Hamburg | 95.408 |
| Lancaster | 95.143 |
| Frontier | 94.961 |
| Newfane | 94.680 |
| Williamsville North | 94.289 |
| Williamsville East | 93.729 |

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|---------------------------|--------|
| Depew | 93.535 |
| North Tonawanda | 92.642 |
| Sweet Home | 91.504 |
| West Seneca West | 91.328 |
| Iroquois | 91.250 |
| Kenmore East | 90.855 |
| Amherst Central | 90.845 |
| Fredonia | 90.283 |
| Williamsville South | 90.247 |

Boys Swimming/Diving

| | |
|---------------------------|--------|
| Williamsville East | 94.644 |
| East Aurora | 94.561 |
| Sweet Home | 93.954 |
| Newfane | 93.542 |
| Iroquois | 93.309 |
| Medina | 93.179 |
| Lancaster | 93.078 |
| Lockport | 93.003 |
| Clarence | 92.940 |
| Lake Shore | 92.488 |
| Frontier | 92.477 |
| Niagara-Wheatfield | 92.353 |
| Olean | 92.064 |
| Cheektowaga | 91.936 |
| Starpoint | 91.675 |
| Akron | 91.631 |
| Williamsville North | 91.500 |
| Grand Island | 91.344 |
| Albion | 90.841 |
| City Honors School | 90.835 |
| Kenmore West | 90.553 |
| Cleveland Hill | 90.305 |
| West Seneca East | 90.240 |
| Tonawanda | 90.181 |
| Fredonia | 90.078 |

Girls Basketball

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|------------------------------|--------|
| Wilson** | 97.704 |
| North Tonawanda | 96.901 |
| Pine Valley | 96.656 |
| Alden | 96.554 |
| Orchard Park | 96.469 |
| Depew | 96.411 |
| Medina | 96.403 |
| East Aurora | 96.373 |
| Williamsville East | 96.369 |
| Albion | 95.759 |
| Frontier | 95.437 |
| Barker | 95.416 |
| Lancaster | 95.416 |
| Sherman Central School | 95.286 |
| Cassadaga Valley | 95.120 |
| Clarence | 95.026 |
| Iroquois | 94.243 |

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|---------------------------------|--------|
| West Seneca West | 94.079 |
| Allegany-Limestone | 93.919 |
| Niagara-Wheatfield | 93.730 |
| Lockport | 93.720 |
| Newfane | 93.449 |
| Brocton | 93.164 |
| Cleveland Hill | 93.122 |
| Sweet Home | 92.844 |
| Williamsville North | 92.653 |
| Holland | 92.562 |
| Cheektowaga | 91.986 |
| Lake Shore | 91.798 |
| Springville | 91.750 |
| Cattaraugus-Little Valley | 91.744 |
| Forestville Central | 91.521 |
| Tonawanda | 91.378 |
| Williamsville South | 91.219 |
| Olean | 90.900 |
| Grand Island | 90.878 |
| Lewiston Porter | 90.719 |
| Kenmore West | 90.586 |
| Amherst Central | 90.411 |
| Salamanca | 90.300 |
| Westfield | 90.279 |
| Kenmore East | 90.091 |
| Fredonia | 90.057 |

Girls Bowling

| | |
|---------------------------|--------|
| Hamburg | 95.929 |
| Iroquois | 95.714 |
| Clarence | 95.372 |
| Williamsville North | 95.061 |
| West Seneca West | 94.500 |
| Depew | 94.343 |
| Cheektowaga | 94.000 |
| Holland | 93.824 |
| Sweet Home | 93.322 |
| Frontier | 93.292 |
| North Tonawanda | 93.028 |
| Tonawanda | 92.777 |
| East Aurora | 92.367 |
| Williamsville South | 91.882 |
| Grand Island | 91.779 |
| Lancaster | 91.413 |
| Springville | 90.981 |
| Kenmore West | 90.676 |
| Alden | 90.614 |
| Eden | 90.371 |

Girls Indoor Track

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|------------------------|--------|
| Frontier | 97.708 |
| Hamburg | 96.592 |
| North Tonawanda | 96.533 |
| West Seneca West | 96.185 |
| Depew | 96.172 |

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|---------------------------|--------|
| Clarence | 95.303 |
| Williamsville East | 95.143 |
| Williamsville North | 95.107 |
| Lancaster | 94.943 |
| Lockport | 94.927 |
| Iroquois | 94.633 |
| Newfane | 93.426 |
| West Seneca East | 93.419 |
| Sweet Home | 93.089 |
| Lake Shore | 93.057 |
| Kenmore West | 92.857 |
| Holland | 91.810 |
| Kenmore East | 91.495 |
| Williamsville South | 90.705 |
| Amherst Central | 90.611 |

Girls Swimming/Diving

| | |
|-------------------|--------|
| Barker | 94.775 |
| Albion | 94.218 |
| Akron | 93.454 |
| City Honors | 92.469 |
| Medina | 92.197 |
| Newfane | 90.245 |

Ice Hockey

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|---------------------------|--------|
| Williamsville North | 93.209 |
| Williamsville East | 92.035 |
| Frontier | 91.751 |
| Kenmore West | 90.618 |
| Williamsville South | 90.462 |
| Kenmore East | 90.131 |

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|--------------------|--------|
| Clarence | 95.543 |
| Kenmore West | 94.032 |
| Alden | 92.680 |
| Iroquois | 91.757 |
| Lancaster | 90.403 |

Wrestling

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|---------------------------|--------|
| Williamsville North | 93.771 |
| Depew | 93.607 |
| Iroquois | 93.340 |
| Clarence | 93.091 |
| Medina | 91.795 |
| East Aurora | 91.530 |
| West Seneca West | 91.235 |
| Wilson | 91.214 |
| Kenmore West | 91.167 |
| West Seneca East | 90.784 |
| Cheektowaga | 90.730 |
| Grand Island | 90.580 |
| Fredonia | 90.085 |
| Kenmore East | 90.069 |
| Lockport | 90.016 |



IT'S OFFICIAL...

by Tom Cowan, Section VI, Officials Coordinator

Computer Technology in Sports officiating has exploded on the industry over the last 10 years. Assigners have replaced the #2 pencil and yellow pad with updated assignment software while state organizations sift through background checks for all candidates on behalf of member schools.

The wealth of information available to school districts concerning availability evaluation and assignment of officials is now at every AD's finger tips. Cancellations, game time or facility changes, payment, transportation arrangements and communication with parents and spectators can be done with a moments notice from the AD's desk.

Section VI has approved *TheArbiter* as the program for Central Management and Assigning of officials beginning with the 2007-08 school year (see article on page 4). All officials are now required to "join" TheArbiter (at no cost) by signing-in, updating their personal information and availability on a regular basis. The Section will perform the initial assignment of officials for fall sports where multiple leagues share officials, beginning with fall of 2007. This change in policy will definitely impact our office and though some difficulties may be encountered, we are confident that they will be resolved in a timely manner.

The influence of technology on officiating is here to stay. We must strive to make sure that we use this technology in ways that are effective, affordable and sustainable.



Section VI loses a long-time veteran

by June T. Richardson

Philip J. Richardson, a long time Section VI Veteran passed away February 25, 2007 in Fredonia, NY after a long illness.

Mr. Richardson was Athletic Director at Alden Central School where he taught Physical Education and Health for 29 years. He coached basketball, football, soccer, baseball, volleyball, cross country and track where his "team" had four (4) Section championships and six (6) ECIC Division 3 championships. The Richardson Relays was named for him. Phil was also an official for basketball, football and was ECIC track chairman, Division III and VI Chairman. He was Director & Chairman of the Alden Track Invitational.

"Sports" could have been his middle name – instead, the students called him "Coach". He was elected to the ACS "Wall of Fame."



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