BOYS SOCCER REPORT Sportchair Todd Marquardt January 2012

Below is a summary of the discussion at the state meeting held Thursday January 5, 2012.

- 1) The state is looking into combining boys/girls state tournament in the future......same weekend, same site for cost savings measure.
- Brine sponsored a sportsmanship award and chose a school from each section based on fewest yellow cards received.......There were 7-8 schools who received zero for the year and Pioneer was chosen from that group.
- Jim Clauss (Lew-Port) will be inducted into the NYS Soccer Hall of Fame in 2012......Joe Adamec (Lancaster) was inducted this past fall and Bob McCalister (Clarence) was inducted in the fall of 2010
- 4) Section VI referees will have a bye for the 2012 state tournament and will continue to rotate every other year with Section V.
- 5) The 2012 State Tournament will be hosted by Middletown High School again.
- 6) Everyone is waiting for BEDS #'s for next year.
- 7) Soccer Academies are a big threat to high school soccer programs......The soccer state committee has brain stormed a few ideas to keep the premier players participating in interscholastic soccer. These academies are pouching players to belong to the academy and then not allowing them to play for their high school.
- 8) Uniforms.....The NYS committee is applying for a waiver to eliminate the required home uniform to be completely white and visiting team to be dark.....main reason is school budgets do not allow for the purchase of brand new uniforms. The NYS Executive Committee is meeting Jan 22nd (not sure about the date because it's a Sunday but this is what Bob Stulmaker said) and will vote on the waiver. The committee is hoping for a 3 year approval.