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Hinsdale Central's Girls Lacrosse Team Takes Second Place at State Final



The Hinsdale Central High School Girls Lacrosse Team

Hinsdale, Ill. – June 11, 2015 – Hinsdale Township High School District 86 today congratulated the Hinsdale Central High School Girls Lacrosse Team for their earning a second place finish at the Illinois High School Women's Lacrosse Association's State Finals.

Reflecting on the post season Coach Lindsay Owens said, "The state experience was a great one. We took one game at a time and with each win we celebrated another day to play lacrosse together. As the playoffs continued, each game got more intense, in particular the semi-final game against New Trier. We again took it minute by minute and came out with a victory. Up next was seven-time state champions Loyola. We entered the game with a great strategy, were excited, and ready to play. The girls played their hearts out but unfortunately didn't come out with the victory; however, we did emerge with something just as important, respect. We opened a lot of eyes to just how serious and prepared Hinsdale Central was to make it to the top."

Coach Owens cited the how hard the team worked, practicing six days per week, scheduling practices and games against tough teams and using all the outside training and coaching resources available for their success this year.

"The 2015 Varsity lacrosse season has been one that we've never encountered before," continued Coach Owens. "If you ask any of the players or coaches about the season I'm sure the following words will come to mind: exhausting, emotional, mental, physical, intense and rewarding. For the first time, everyone, even in the coaches, went through uncharted waters.

"We played the toughest and most insane schedule in program history. Out of the 19 regular season games we played, 11 of them were against out-of-state, nationally ranked teams, two of them were against in-state, nationally ranked teams, and four of the 19 teams were 2014 champions of their respective states. Not only did we play all of these teams but we played most of them with no rest, injured and on the road. Our biggest accomplishment this year was beating New Trier in the semi-finals to lead us to the state championship against Loyola."

The following players received special recognition:

All State:

1st Team: Anna Santulli, Gracyn Elliott, Yasmain Hamood 2nd Team: Kelly Melin, Mary Katharine Pyle, Megan Draddy

Honorable Mention Team: Anne Richter

All-Conference:

1st Team: Anna Santulli, Yasmain Hamood, Megan Draddy, Mary Katharine Pyle, Kelly Melin

2nd Team: Gracyn Elliott, Anne Richter Honorable Mention: Julianna Burlet

All-American:

1st team: Anna Santulli, Yasmain Hamood

Academic All-American:

Anne Richter, Mary Katharine Pyle, Yasmain Hamood, Megan Draddy, Gracyn Elliott

Megan Arbor	6	Midfield	Junior
Brianna Ary	21	Midfield	Senior
Lauren Bloomfield	4	Attack	Junior
McKenzie Boyle	23	Defense	Senior
Julianna Burlet	13	Defense	Senior
Megan Draddy	1	Midfield	Junior
Shea Draddy	7	Attack	Freshman
Gracyn Elliott	14	Defense	Junior
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Yasmain Hamood	5	Midfield	Junior
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			Junior
Lally Johnson	34	Attack	Junior Freshman

Delaney Mahon	15	Midfield	Senior
Kelly Melin	29	Goalie	Junior
Honour Mullaney	11	Attack	Senior
Maria Mulvihill	19	Midfield/Defense	Freshman
Mary K Pyle	22	Defense	Senior
Anne Richter	16	Midfield	Senior
Anna Santulli	3	Attack	Sophomore
Brooke Secola	17	Midfield/Defense	Sophomore
Maddy Shupe	20	Defense	Senior
Julia Strtak	31	Defense	Junior
Ellie Usher	32	Midfield	Junior
Samantha Usher	8	Midfield	Junior