



February 18, 2005

Dear Head Girls' Soccer Coach:

On behalf of the IHSSCA board, welcome to the 2005 girls soccer season! Our Association is the means by which soccer athletes in Illinois receive All Section, All State, All Mid-West and All American honors. This letter will give you important information to become a member of the Association. Please read the information carefully so there will be no delay in receiving your voting cards.

Enclosed is a copy of the membership application for the 2004 – 05 season. All applications for the Girls Head Coaches must be postmarked by **Friday, April 15th to be valid**. Your 13 All-Sectional game voting cards and the name of your Sectional Coordinator will be sent to you upon receipt of your application and dues. Your \$20.00 membership fee covers you for the boys' season in the fall and the girls' season in the spring (*note: this is an individual coaches membership. **This is not a school membership.** If there is a different head coach for the boys, he or she must join separately. They are not under your membership*). In order for your athletes to be eligible for any awards, the **head coach must join the association.**

****** REMINDER ******

The sooner you send in your membership application and dues, the sooner you will receive your cards. **The IHSSCA membership coordinator, Joe Moreau, will mail your cards out soon after your application and fees are received. (NO SCHOOL CHECKS)**

Last season the delays on receiving your cards were minimal. In fact, the main delays came from the coaches that do not teach at the school. The problem is that the coach does not receive the mailing from the school. If you know of a new coach or a coach that doesn't teach at the school, please inform the coach about the letter. A membership application and a copy of this letter is available on our website at **ihssca.com**

The number of All-Midwest and All-American high school players that Illinois will receive is based on the membership to the NSCAA, the National Soccer Coaches Association. In order for an Illinois player to receive any National recognition, their coach must be a member of the NSCAA. You can obtain the application at **nscaa.com**. The IHSSCA strongly supports the NSCAA and encourages you to join.

The IHSSCA also works in conjunction with the Chicago Fire for the All Academic Team. See the IHSSCA website for an application for this award.

The IHSSCA Board is once again very pleased to have **KELME USA** as our association sponsor. Our agreement runs through February 2006. **KELME USA** will present our All State players with a special gift at our annual honors banquet in June. They also sponsor our Coach of the Year award and our annual IHSSCA indoor All Star game. **KELME USA** has made a substantial commitment to high school soccer in Illinois through the IHSSCA. Please consider **KELME USA**'s outstanding uniforms, warm-ups, and shoes when budgeting and ordering for next year. **KELME USA** also offers an outstanding package for coaches. The Board is also pleased to announce that **BRINE** will also continue to be one of our sponsors. **BRINE** will be sponsoring our Sportsmanship Award. Again, please consider **BRINE** when purchasing your practice and game balls.

INFORMATION TO REMEMBER:

1. ***IHSSCA.com is our website.***
2. ***All IHSSCA member schools that attend the All Sectional Meeting will be guaranteed at least one Honorable Mention All Sectional player.***

Best of luck this season,

George Pohlmann
IHSSCA Girls' Vice-President

IMPORTANT IHSSCA DATES FOR 2005

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| April 15 | IHSSCA Membership deadline. |
| May 14 th | Final Card Postmark Date |
| May 15 th – May 21 rd | All-Sectional Meetings |
| May 22 th | Sectional Coordinators All-State Meeting. |
| May 27 th – May 28 th | IHSA State Finals A |
| June 3 th – June 4 th | IHSA State Finals AA |
| June 9 th | Honors Banquet – Diplomat West (Elmhurst) |
| June 14 | 1st Annual IHSSCA Golf Outing (Barlett,IL) See our website for details!! |

**** REGISTRATION DEADLINE ****

April 15, 2005

Send \$20.00 Payable to: IHSSCA
(NO SCHOOL CHECKS)

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