



2015 BOSTON BRUINS-MIAA SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD RECIPIENTS

For the thirteenth consecutive year, the MIAA and Boston Bruins partnered to honor a student-athlete from boys and girls high school ice hockey leagues across the state for best exemplifying a commitment to the ideals of sportsmanship throughout the season. These student-athletes were selected by representatives of their league according to the following award criteria:

- An exemplary record of complying, both in spirit and letter, with all league and MIAA rules and regulations during the season.
- A demonstrated record of respectfully accepting the rulings of game officials.
- A record of conduct, on and off the ice that brings honor to self, team, school, and community.
- A commitment to teamwork by providing all members with recognition of their talents, an opportunity to contribute them to the team, and a spirit of camaraderie.
- A demonstrated respect for opponents before, during, and after games.

The recipients of the 2015 Boston Bruins-MIAA Sportsmanship Awards are listed below. These student-athletes were honored on Tuesday, March 31, 2015 at the TD Garden during the Boston Bruins game against the Florida Panthers.

GIRLS LEAGUES

Bay State Conference

Sarah Gross – Wellesley High School '15 – Defense

Sarah personified the perfect athletic attitude. She showed total commitment to the program and as a two year captain, she demanded that same commitment from her teammates. Sarah was always exploring new and challenging ways to make contributions on the ice.

--George Campbell, Coach

Catholic Conference

Emily Brooks – Notre Dame Academy (Hingham) '16 – Defense/Forward

Emily has a great attitude and comes to the rink everyday ready to compete. She plays the game with intensity, integrity and respect. Off the ice, Emily is a model citizen. She is a role model for the younger players and is always willing to lend a hand.

--JY Roy, Coach

Catholic Central League

Lexi McNeil – St. Mary's High School (Lynn) '19 – Forward

Lexi embodies all of the characteristics of a tremendous teammate. She is a selfless player that would do whatever is necessary to help her team. During a game this year, Lexi gave one of her teammates her skate in for that player to continue to play. This example of sportsmanship demonstrates her unwavering dedication to her teammates, program, and school community.

--Jeff Newhall, Athletic Director

Merrimack Valley Conference/Dual County League - Large

Kerry Pouliot – Littleton High School '15 – Goalie

Kerry's positive attitude and enthusiasm served as a daily inspiration to our program. Kerry is one of the finest student-athletes I've worked with. I am always impressed by her decisions, work ethic, caring attitude, school spirit and sportsmanship. Her sportsmanship is the model we ask our students to follow.

--Robert P. Ware, Dean of Students/Coach

Merrimack Valley Conference/Dual County League - Small

Ali Longmoore – Waltham High School '15 – Goalie

In her five years of high school hockey, Ali has always seemed to find a way to put her teammates first and herself second. She is always in good spirits and continually works to motivate her teammates and make them believe in themselves. Ali is a positive, powerful voice in the locker room, and she leads by example on and off the ice.

--Ryan Foley, Coach

Middlesex League

Ali O'Leary – Reading Memorial High School '16 – Center

As a coach, you pray for kids like Ali: unlimited ability and no ego. It doesn't get better than that. If you want to hear Ali talk, ask her about one of her teammates.

--Mike Golden, Coach

Northeastern Conference

Adrienne Porrazzo – Medford High School '15 – Defense

As a captain since her freshman year, Adrienne has always welcomed her role as a leader, especially during this past season, when over half the Lady Mustangs were 8th and 9th graders. Throughout the year, she offered, in a positive way, encouragement to all team members in a mentoring manner.

--David McCarthy, Coach

SEMGHL – Coastal

Madison Scavotto – Falmouth High School '15 - Goalie

Madison is loyal to her teammates, working to provide both leadership and support to each member of the girls ice hockey team. She promotes teamwork and camaraderie by demonstrating her respect for others at the rink, in school and in the community.

--Erin Hunt, Coach

SEMGHL – Northeast

Kathryn Jacobson – King Philip Regional High School '15 - Forward

Kathryn is a leading student-athlete willing to give up her own personal achievements for the achievement of the team. She is a special person whom has always been more than willing to spend her time to aid and guide the development of her teammates or classmates.

--Jack Unger, Coach

SEMGHL – Southeast

Emilie Peavey – Marshfield High School '15 - Forward

Emilie is an example of an unselfish, kind, giving person. She encourages and guides her teammates in community service projects and the actions of a good citizen. Whether it be something as simple as asking a stranger if they need assistance, to organizing a team based service project.

--Don McNeil, Coach

SEMGHL – West

Lauren Tschirch – Medfield High School '15 - Forward

Lauren is a senior captain who demonstrates hard work and leadership both on and off the ice. She leads by example with her dedication and commitment to being a student-athlete.

--Molly Norton, Coach

BOYS LEAGUES

Bay State Conference

Ron Pucci – Dedham High School '15 – Center

Ron is not the biggest player, but he plays with tremendous heart and intensity. He is a quiet leader that leads by example. He is headed to the Marine Corps this summer.

--Stephen Traister, Athletic Director

Big Three

Stephen Ulich – Brockton High School '15 – Left Wing

Stephen was a great role model for his teammates. He led by example with his tremendous work ethic, discipline, and dedication to the team.

--Chris Cunningham, Coach

Boston City League

Thomas Guarino – East Boston High School '17 – Forward

Thomas conduct off the ice is what other players should live up to. He gives himself to all our players to show them what true leadership is, on and off the ice. He was also a key person in the community with his help during the Breast Cancer hockey tournament.

--Robert Anthony, Coach

Catholic Central League – Large

Paul Frisoli – Arlington Catholic High School '15 – Forward

Paul is a three sport varsity athlete (golf, ice hockey and baseball). He has shown leadership through perseverance, dedication to his team and a strong work ethic. These characteristics earned him the respect of our opponents as well as his teammates.

--Dan Shine, AD/Coach

Catholic Central League – Small

Alex Afanasiev – Saint Joseph Preparatory High School '15 – Forward

Alex is an exceptional student and a peer leader to his younger teammates, pushing them in their pursuit of academics as well as helping them improve their hockey skills. Alex has been a model player on and off the ice; there is nothing more a coach could ask of someone.

--Robert Dwyer, Coach

Commonwealth Athletic Conference

Jake Towski – Northeast Metro Regional Vocational School '15 – Left Wing

On the ice Jake treats his teammates, opponents, and officials with respect and civility. Off the ice he is an exceptional young man, revered by his teachers, friends, and family. Jake holds his love of his team and love of the game above himself, he is the ultimate teammate.

--Jeremy Scafidi, Coach

Coughlin Conference

Dan Baldino – Ayer-Shirley High School '15 – Center

Dan is a leader in the Ayer school community. He is a four year honor student, two sport captain, and role model for the entire community. He has donated countless hours of his own personal time to the community to volunteer at the local learn to skate program and junior baseball clinic.

--Eric Short, Coach

Fay-Wright Division

Brian Turnbull – Chicopee High School '15 – Defense

Brian is one of the nicest people you could meet. He leads our team as a captain through example with his mild manner and all business on the ice attitude. He organizes the community service for the whole team and has done extra hours on his own. These projects include, Learn to Skate, Stuff the Bus, Relay for Life and Stock the Shelf.

--Alan Styckiewicz, Coach

Greater Boston League

Andrew Cronin – Medford High School '15 – Forward

Andrew continuously put his school, peers and community ahead of himself throughout his entire career. Give me the "Andrew Cronins" of the world every year and our jobs would be so much easier.

--Bobby Maloney, Athletic Director

Hennessy League

Jenny Dunn – Lee Middle & High School '15 – Forward

The Troy Sportsmanship Award has evolved into one of the most prestigious awards given to a Berkshire County high school student athlete. Players considered for the award possess many of the attributes promoted and dedicated to by Mr. Troy. These include good sportsmanship, team leadership, respect of officials, coaches, teammates and others, dedication to team, and a true desire to promote the game of ice hockey. The 2014-2015 Donald Troy Sportsmanship Award was presented to Lee Middle & High School hockey player Jenny Dunn.

--Bill Loehr, Berkshire NIOHA President

Hockomock League

Griffin Lynch – Milford High School '15 - Forward

Griffin is an intelligent young man who continues to thrive academically as well as athletically. He is an excellent communicator, he is focused in and out of the classroom and he is emotionally discipline on and off the ice.

--Peter Boucher, Athletic Director

Mayflower League

Jay Silva – Diman Regional Voc/Tech High School '15 - Center

Jay is a leader both on and off the ice. Whether it's in practice or in a game, he always has a positive attitude and is always trying to improve his game as well as his teammates.

--Lenny Dutra, Coach

Merrimack Valley Conference/Dual County League – Division 1

Patrick Couillard – Chelmsford High School '15 – Defense

Patrick demonstrates the true meaning of sportsmanship on and off the ice. He is widely respected, throughout the league, by his teammates, coaches and opponents. Patrick has made me extremely proud as a coach and I am so grateful to have him as a captain and friend.

--Scott Trahan, Coach

Merrimack Valley Conference/Dual County League – Division 2

Myles Cohen – Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School '16 – Center

Myles is a tireless worker on and off the ice and field. In particular, he is the first guy to serve his teammates and to step up and accept the role his coaches ask him to fill. He's not a stat guy or a "me" guy.

--Peter Elenbaas, Athletic Director

Merrimack Valley Conference/Dual County League – Division 3

Aidan Conlon – Lowell High School '15 - Defense

Aidan is an individual that embodies everything a student-athlete should; dedication, spirit and respect for his teammates, coaches and officials. Lowell High School and its hockey program are proud to have Aidan as a leader both in the classroom and off the ice.

--Brian Akashian, Coach

Middlesex League

Sean Verrier – Reading Memorial High School '15 - Center

Sean is an outstanding player and a gentleman both on and off the ice. He worked his way through a broken bone and came back strong with a positive attitude.

--Mark Doherty, Coach

Tri-Valley League

Michael Messier – Hopkinton High School '15 – Center

To me, Mike epitomizes what solid sportsmanship is all about. He represents his team and his school in a positive way both on and off the ice. He has made an effort to shake the official's hand after every game since he was a freshman.

--Chris MacPherson, Coach