

Valley Girls, St. Pius Boys Win New Mexico High School Championships

The New Mexico High School Water Polo State Championships was a huge success. There were some amazing games all weekend and the overall level of competition has elevated to a much higher level. The tournament was held May 7-9 at the University of New Mexico Natatorium. League Coordinator Robbie Bova would like to thank all the coaches and the refs for all the time they have put into growing the league. The following is some final information about the teams size, final standings, and awards.

Teams -

La Cueva - 13 boys & 17 girls = 30 athletes Coach Dane
St. Pius - 15 boys & 12 girls = 27 athletes Coach Jon George
Valley - 8 boys & 16 girls = 24 athletes Coach Brad and Lane
Eldorado - 10 boys & 12 girls = 22 athletes Coach T and Coach Stephanie
Albuquerque High - 17 boys = 17 athletes Coach Wesley
Highland - 9 boys & 8 girls = 17 athletes Coach Erika and Wesley
Sant Fe - 7 boys & 9 girls = 16 athletes Coach Christina
Sandia - 4 boys & 10 girls = 14 athletes Coach Monica
Los Alamos - 10 boys & 3 girls = 13 athletes Coaches Ricardo, Veronica and Chris
Cibola - 2 boys and 11 girls = 13 athletes Coaches Janet & Jeremy
Albuquerque Academy - 2 boys & 9 girls = 11 athletes Coach Chelsea

Total- 97 boys & 107 Girls = 204 athletes

Standings

Boys -

1st Place - St. Pius
2nd Place - Highland
3rd Place - Valley
4th Place - La Cueva
5th Place - Albuquerque High
6th Place - Los Alamos
7th Place - Sandorado

Girls-

1st Place - Valley
2nd Place - Highland
3rd Place - Cibola
4th Place - St. Pius
5th Place - Albuquerque Academy
6th Place - La Cueva
7th Place - Sandorado
8th Place - Santa Fe

AWARDS

Coach of the Year - St. Pius - Jon George
Most Valuable Female Player - Valley - Meagan Gins
Most Valuable Male Player - St. Pius - Tyler Farmer
Most Valuable Female Goalie - Valley - Libby Davis
Most Valuable Male Goalie - St. Pius - Pat Weber

1st All State Team - Girls
Goalie - Libby Davis-Valley
Meagan Gins-Valley
Blakely Stephens-Highland
Margaret Davis-Valley
Daria Lindsey-Highland
Justine Schluntz-Academy
Annalyse Arguelles-Cibola

1st All State Team - Boys
Goalie - Pat Weber-St.Pius
Lance Sjolholm-Highland
Wesley Sjolholm-Highland
Tommy Leach-Valley
Tyler Farmer-St. Pius
Clinton Beall-St. Pius
Austin Worley-Valley

2nd All State Team - Girls
Goalie - Hillary Stellmar-Cibola
Summer Abt-Valley
Maureen McGuire-St. Pius
Britta Paffett-Los Alamos
Megan Weber-St. Pius
Amanda Huffman-Cibola
Renee Ulrich-Academy

2nd All State Team - Boys
Goalie - Amos Watkins-Highland
Jon Sasser-Los Alamos
Dylan Books-Highland
Chase Velarde-Albuquerque High
Nick Reaves-Valley
Jeff Lucero-La Cueva
Clint Collier-St. Pius

Honorable Mention - Girls

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Goalie - Sara Rondeau-St. Pius
Mia Kimmelman-Highland
Megan Lockwood-Sandia
Stephanie Winter - Santa Fe
Joy Brinkman - Valley
Amanda Maez-La Cueva
Elaine Abrams-Eldorado

Goalie - Tomas Watson - Valley
Joe Spahn- Eldorado
Zig Hampel - Los Alamos
Abram Diaz- Albuquerque High
Will O'Donnell-Los Alamos
Seth Freedman-La Cueva
Diego Diaz-Albuquerque High

Congratulations to ALL!!!!