



2024-25 Annual Report



Greetings from the RIIL

Letter from the Chairman

As Chairman of the Principals' Committee on Athletics (PCOA), I am both proud and excited to serve our student athletes and the member schools who make up The Rhode Island Interscholastic League. The Principals' Committee on Athletics is the governing body of The Rhode Island Interscholastic League.

On behalf of the Principals' Committee on Athletics and our assistant chair, Ms. Candace Caluori, I am happy to welcome everyone involved in Rhode Island interscholastic sports to an exciting 2025/2026 school year. I am proud and humbled to look back over the past few years, and see the tenacity and competitive spirit exhibited by our student athletes.

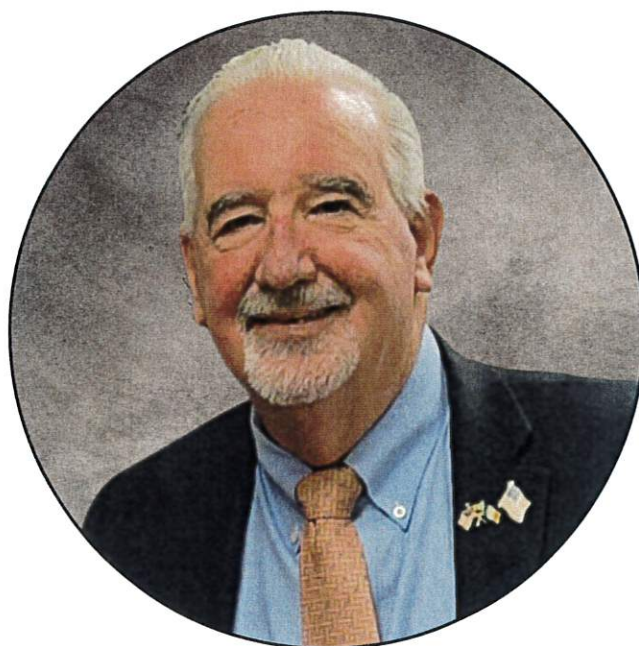
Our student athletes represent what is best about interscholastic sports. The dedication to their sport as well as their adherence to sportsmanship and clean competition, proves to be the tenant all can aspire to. The PCOA is committed to its mission of providing the foundation for educationally-based athletics. Through fair competition, and respect to our rules and regulations, our student athletes are learning lessons that will stay with them for life; teamwork, communication, perseverance and humility are life lessons that enhance our schools and our communities.

The RIIL is a dynamic, evolving organization, made up of our member schools, that keep our student athletes at the forefront of what we do and why we do it. Through the dedication of our Executive Director Mr. Micheal Lunney, and our Assistant Director Thomas Marcello, as well as our wonderful office staff, we are able to provide outstanding opportunities for our schools and student athletes. On behalf of the Principals' Committee, Ms. Caluori and the 3,700 hundred student athletes, I can tell you with confidence that our future is bright and we are well positioned to deal with any issues that may arise. I want to thank our corporate sponsors as well as our media friends for their continued support. We are here to serve our schools and our athletes, and we welcome your feedback as well as your suggestions. With open and honest communication we are able to move forward and accomplish our shared goals. I look forward to working with everyone, and making our great organization even greater . Thanks for all you do for the students of Rhode Island, and I look forward to serving as your Chair, for what I know will be a great school year.

Thank You.

Daniel F. Warner

Chairman, Principals' Committee on Athletics



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Executive Director's Message:

As we reflect on the 2024–25 school year, on behalf of the Principals' Committee on Athletics and our dedicated member schools, we celebrate another remarkable year of high school sports and activities across the Ocean State. Together, we remain committed to a mission that is greater than competition alone—fostering personal growth, academic achievement, and the development of lifelong values in our student-athletes.

Now more than ever, school-based athletics serve a vital role in the educational experience of young people. In a world filled with distractions and challenges, high school sports offer stability, structure, and purpose. They are not simply an extension of the school day—they are a critical component of shaping future leaders, responsible citizens, and compassionate teammates. Participation in interscholastic athletics teaches life lessons and develops skills that extend far beyond the scoreboard: perseverance, resilience, accountability, respect, and the ability to face adversity with dignity and determination.

However, the landscape of high school sports is not without its challenges. Educationally-based athletic programs face increasing pressure from outside influences, including the rapid commercialization of youth sports, declining numbers of game officials and coaches, and the growing strain on school resources. Perhaps most concerning is the erosion of civility that we see echoed across society—often amplified by social media. These trends threaten the core values of school-based competition, where the emphasis should remain on teamwork, sportsmanship, and educational growth.

As we look ahead, we must recommit to ensuring that interscholastic athletics are a model for respectful behavior, community pride, and student-centered learning. With over 12,000 high school athletic events taking place across Rhode Island each year, we have a powerful platform to demonstrate what it means to compete with integrity and to lose—or win—with grace. To those who give so much of their time, talent, and heart to support our student-athletes—thank you! Our school administrators, principals, athletic directors, coaches, officials, and event staff continue to serve as the backbone of this incredible work. Their tireless efforts, often behind the scenes, ensure that Rhode Island's student-athletes are given every opportunity to succeed both on the field and in life.

It is a privilege to serve as Executive Director of the Rhode Island Interscholastic League. I am humbled and proud to be part of this extraordinary community, and I remain inspired by the passion and purpose that drive our collective efforts. The greatest measure of success is not found in championships, but in the character and confidence we help our student-athletes build along the way.

Thank you for your continued support of school-based athletics and best wishes for a successful and meaningful year ahead!

Warm regards,



Michael P. Lunney

Executive Director

Rhode Island Interscholastic League



Governing Process of the RIIL

The legislative body of the League is the ***Principals' Committee on Athletics***, which consists of principals/assistant principals of the 74 member high schools. The Committee meets regularly. All meetings are open to the public and anyone who wishes may attend. Standing Committees are appointed by the Chairperson of the Principals' Committee on Athletics with the approval of the Principals' Committee on Athletics. Standing Committees are established for each sport. Sport committees are established to address issues of general concern to the RIIL membership, alignment and to plan programs/activities for the members. The following administrators served on the Principals' Committee on Athletics during the 2023-24 school year:

Daniel F. Warner, *Chairperson*, Principal, Block Island School

Candace Caluori, *Assistant Chairperson*, Principal, Toll Gate High School

Patricia Aull

Middle School Administrator

Toby Gibbons

Principal, Pilgrim High School

Thomas Barbieri

Principal, Cranston High School East

Michael Green

Associate Principal, West Warwick High School

Scott D. Barr

Principal, Classical High School

Robert McCarthy

Principal, Central Falls High School

Adolfo Costa

Principal, Cumberland High School

Chip McGair, Ph.D.

Principal, South Kingstown High School

Susan Craven

Principal, Tiverton High School

Daniel Richard

Principal, St. Raphael Academy

Martin Crowley

Athletic Director, Cumberland High School/ RIIAAA

Michael Sollitto, Ed.D.

Superintendent, Burrillville Schools / RISSA

Mark DeCiccio

Principal, Bishop Hendricken High School

Kristin Ward

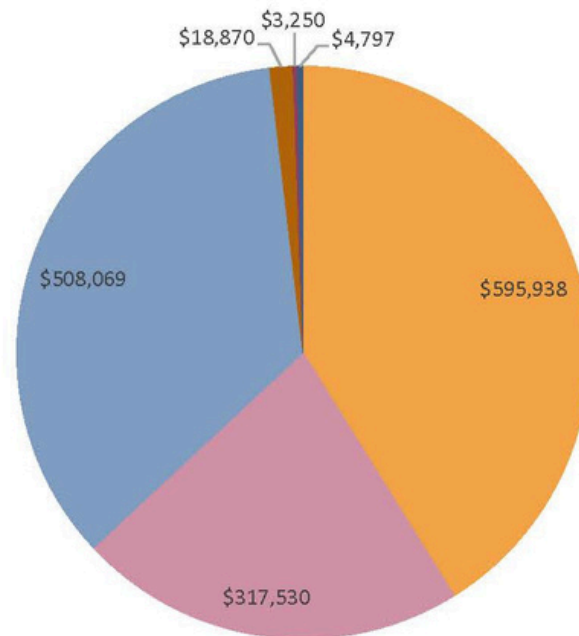
Assistant Principal, Cranston High School East

John Fontaine

Principal, Cranston High School West

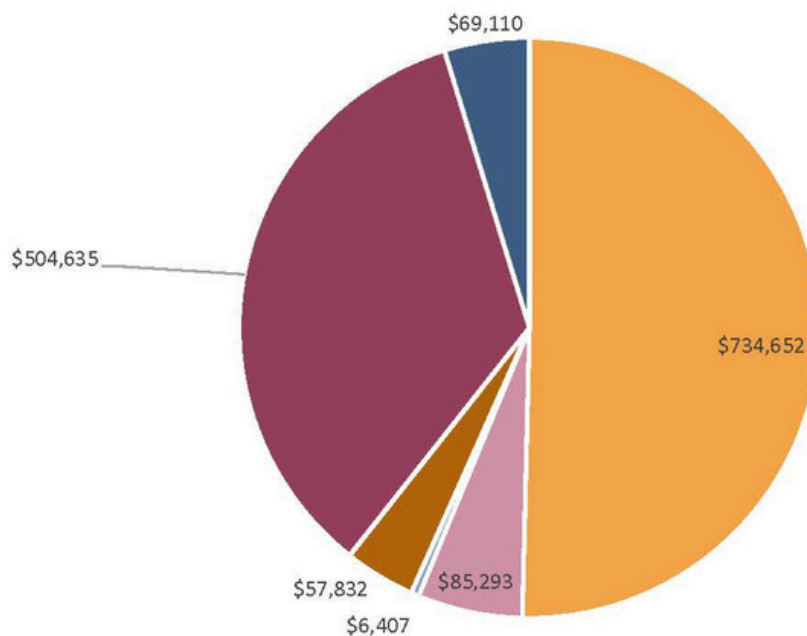
Financial Report

Revenue 2024-2025



Tournaments Dues/Fees Sponsors Registrations Misc Conferences

Expenses 2024-2025



Salaries/Benefits Operations Mtg/ Conferences Awards Sport Expenses Insurance

Services to Member Schools

The Rhode Island Interscholastic League is a service organization providing its member schools with publications, training opportunities, recognition programs, tournaments, rules interpretation meetings and other services that assist in the administration of interscholastic sports.

♦ Athletic Rules and Regulations

Provides guidance, support and interpretation of the by-laws, rules and regulations for the RIIL.

♦ Recognition

The RIIL recognizes and congratulates the accomplishments of numerous athletes, teams, coaches, athletic directors and school administrators.

♦ Official Pay Program

Through the RefView Program, the RIIL assists school Athletic Directors and Business Offices in the assignment and payment of game officials.

♦ Coaches Education

The RIIL annually conducts virtual preseason coaches' rules interpretation meetings in the fall, winter and spring, reviewing current sport rules and providing presentations on such topics as concussions, heat acclimatization and injury prevention.

♦ Computer Management Program

The RIIL has implemented tools that have streamlined all RIIL management functions for school Athletic Directors and coaches, which include the RIIL's creation of online portals for tracking coaches certification and transfers.

♦ Support the Needs of the RIAAA

Every two years, the RIIL and the RIAAA conduct an extensive and objective process of aligning teams in all sports. This process serves to provide competitive balance among all teams in all sports.

♦ Tournaments

The League supervises and administers state tournaments in 31 athletic events, as well as esports, for its member schools.

♦ Student Leadership Conferences

The League sponsors numerous opportunities for student-athletes to take part in an assortment of leadership workshops, sportsmanship activities and community service initiatives.

♦ RIIL WEBSITE/SOCIAL MEDIA

We continue to upgrade and improve the riil.org website, which features schedules, standings, tournament information and links to RIIL initiatives and resources for coaches, officials, student-athletes and parents. RIIL Director of Communications & Student Services Carolyn Thornton is an experienced journalist who oversees the league's Twitter, Instagram, Facebook and Threads pages, as well as the RIIL Blog. These social media platforms allow the RIIL to inform parents and student-athletes about important RIIL initiatives, provide real-time updates on RIIL tournaments and other league-sponsored events and share the accomplishments of member schools.

♦ RIIL/NFHS Network

The RIIL has partnered with the NFHS Network to stream tournament events and promote a school broadcast program. During the past nine years, the NFHS Network has live-streamed RIIL Championship events in most sports. In addition, the NFHS Network School Broadcasting Program gives all of our member schools the opportunity to showcase their programs and athletes utilizing automated Pixellot cameras, which enable schools with limited broadcasting resources (people, equipment, time, etc.) to produce live events.



Overview of 2024-25 School Year



Congratulations to . . .

South Kingstown High School - Westerly High School - Mt. Hope High School
West Warwick High School - Burrillville High School - Lincoln High School
Juanita Sanchez Educational Complex

All were randomly selected to receive an AED for their athletic programs!

AED donations funded by the RIIL and a grant from the NFHS



OPERATION CLEAN COMPETITION (OCC)

Educating our community on the dangers of Appearance and Performance Enhancing Substances (APES) and Nutrition & Dietary Supplement Safety: Funded through a grant from the Rhode Island Foundation, Operation Clean Competition continued its outreach to middle schools, high schools, colleges and universities across the state. During year 12, a total of 88 OCC programs were delivered through a combination of in-person and virtual presentations, reaching more than 4,000 student-athletes, youth, teens, college and university students and adult influencers. The free programs were delivered by OCC educational partner, the Taylor Hooton Foundation. Additional resources were also made available to member schools through the website: operationcleancomp.com and the creation of an OCC Toolkit on the RIIL website. We promoted the OCC program on local radio stations, on the NFHS Network and on our social media platforms through PSAs featuring RIIL Executive Director Mike Lunney and University of Rhode Island Women's Basketball Coach Tammi Reiss.



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Inaugural Navigant Credit Union Financial Trivia Challenge delivers \$10K in grants & scholarships to RIIL schools

Open to RIIL-member high school and middle school students, the inaugural Financial Trivia Challenge, sponsored by Navigant Credit Union, was a fun way for students to test their financial literacy through a virtual program. From February 1st to March 17th, 2025, participants could log into the app and answer as many financial trivia questions as possible within 2 minutes. Students were welcome to take the challenge as many times as they wished to try and improve their score, while comparing their results with others from across the state.

More than 1,000 students from 29 cities and towns participated in the challenge. Amanda LaRose, Navigant Credit Union's Assistant Vice President of Financial Education, visited four schools with RIIL representatives to begin delivering some of the \$10,000 in scholarships and grants that Navigant Credit Union awarded to the top performing students and participating schools.

Johnston Senior High School had the highest participation among high schools with 223 students registered for the challenge. Dr. E.A. Ricci Middle School in North Providence finished first in participation among middle schools with 66 students.

Jovan Santos, a senior at William E. Tolman Senior High School, finished with the highest score among high school students across the state. Nicholas A. Ferri Middle School eighth grader Brayden Lariviere finished with the highest score among Rhode Island middle school students.



HIGH SCHOOL TOP SCORES

JOVAN SANTOS	1ST PLACE
ONSON TIEU	2ND PLACE
JACKSON DANFORTH	3RD PLACE
XISUI WANG	4TH PLACE
MORIAH STEFANIK	
JAYCI TICKNER	
ISABELLA RESENDES	
SADIE O'CONNOR	
ELIJAH PARK	



OWEN SPIRA
JORDY CHAGON
RYAN STOLOFF
RONNIE VANSTONE
CONOR JOHNSON
MINA MEEHAN
ERIC ANASTACIO
MARQUES VASQUEZ

MIDDLE SCHOOL TOP SCORES

BRAYDEN LARIVIERE	1ST PLACE
BRENDEN LARIVIERE	2ND PLACE
DEREK RICCI	3RD PLACE
EMMA MCDUGALL	4TH PLACE
NOLAN CAHILL	
SUSAN GERZEVITZ	
NHYIRABA OPPONG	
CALEB BRUNELLE	
JAXON VANSTONE	



GIOVANNI VARAN
EMELYN COGGINS
DEBORAH DOSUNMU
JAKE MURPHY
BREONNA CARLETON
NATHANIEL OWUSU
JAYCOB KHUN
ANTHONY MARTINELLI

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More than 270 Rhode Island high school students and chaperones representing 35 schools attended the RIIL/KyleCares Teen Mental Health Summit, Friday, January 10, 2025 at Gaige Hall on the Rhode Island College campus. This important workshop - that the RIIL offered free of charge to students from member schools - stressed the importance of focusing on one's emotional well-being through self-care, encouraging those students who are struggling with their mental health to seek help and guiding them on the best ways to do so.



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RIIL “TRAFFIC SAFETY IS A TEAM SPORT” PROGRAM

Through a grant from the R.I. Department of Transportation, the RIIL once again joined RIDOT in its mission of achieving zero traffic fatalities in the State of Rhode Island through highway safety awareness. Student-athletes, coaches and other members of the RIIL community were encouraged to take an online Traffic Safety Pledge, and messages delivered on RIIL social media and at RIIL events focused on Occupant Safety, Impaired Driving, Speed and Distracted Driving. Students also assisted with creating traffic safety PSAs that included bilingual messaging. New for the 2024-25 traffic safety campaign, the RIIL joined forces with members of the R.I. State Police to deliver this important messaging both at RIIL events and through PSAs that were shared on the RIIL’s social media platforms.



UNIFIED SPORTS

The RIIL and R.I. Special Olympics began a partnership to establish a Unified Basketball League in 2010, followed soon after by a Unified Volleyball League, to promote meaningful inclusion and acceptance of people with intellectual disabilities through athletics within the RIIL’s member schools. Unified Basketball has since grown to include 36 high school teams, while there are 22 high school teams competing in Unified Volleyball. Unified Sports in RIIL member schools, creates an inclusive environment where



everyone benefits. Unified Sports combines people with intellectual disabilities (called athletes) and without intellectual disabilities (called partners) on sports teams for training and competition. The athletes experience new social opportunities and make new friends they may not have otherwise. The partners describe their mentorship role as being equally rewarding.



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11th Annual RIIL Peanut Butter Express Challenge Leads to More Than 1,100 Pounds for R.I. Food Bank

The RIIL encouraged its member schools to collect peanut butter throughout the month of April as part of the 11th annual Peanut Butter Express Challenge, a statewide community service initiative established by the league in 2015 to encourage leadership and citizenship among the league's student-athletes. This year's challenge resulted in a delivery of more than 1,100 pounds of peanut butter to the R.I. Community Food Bank. A protein-rich food, peanut butter is among the most requested items for the Rhode Island Community Food Bank and its statewide network of emergency food pantries, which serve more than 80,000 Rhode Islanders each month.

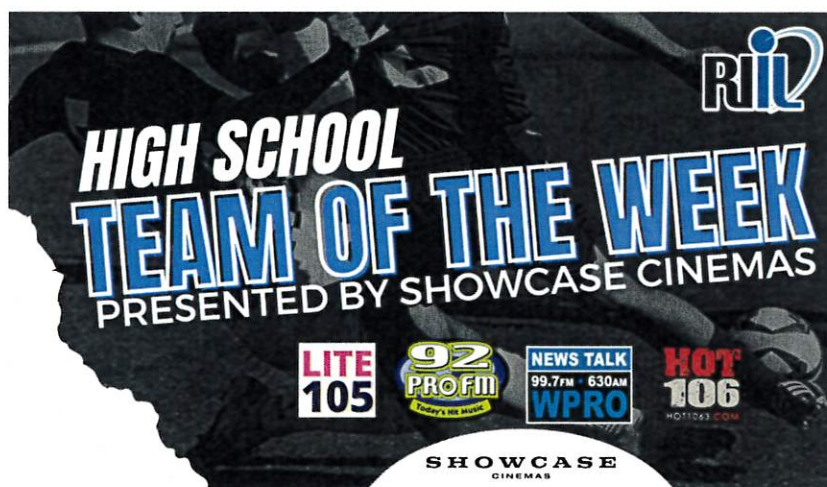
Lincoln High School, which has produced the winning peanut butter drive every year since 2019, once again provided the "Lion's share" of the collection, bringing in nearly 950 pounds. Mia Duncan, a sophomore at Ponaganset High School, organized a peanut butter drive at her school that resulted in the second-highest collection, totaling more than 75 pounds.

An annual participant in the drive, Bay View Academy came through with more than 62 pounds of peanut butter. As a final push to the challenge, the RIIL concluded the drive at its RIIL Leadership Training Experience, encouraging students who attended to bring along a jar of peanut butter.



SHOWCASE CINEMAS TEAM OF THE WEEK, TOGETHER WE MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

SHOWCASE Cinemas continued as the presenting sponsor of Team of the Week, recognizing outstanding efforts and contributions RIIL student-athletes are making on and off the playing fields. Chosen winners selected from a pool of nominations weekly, recorded radio shout-outs played on air on Hot 106, 92.3PRO-FM and Lite Rock 105. Winning storylines ranged from teamwork, support, unity, fundraising and awareness efforts for charities and many more.



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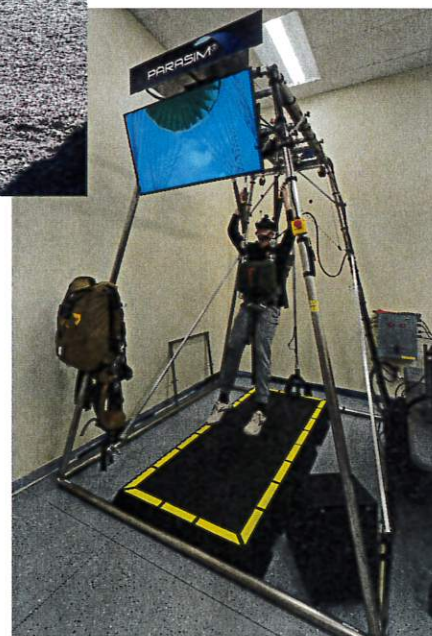
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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2024

**Camp Fogarty, East Greenwich
8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.**

Interested students should contact their principal or athletic director.



RIIL Leadership Training Experience

Working with league partners R.I. Army National Guard and iHeart Media, the RIIL offered two RIIL Leadership Training Experience workshops during the 2024-25 school year at Camp Fogarty in East Greenwich. The Fall 2024 and Spring 2025 conferences were both very well-attended with approximately 260 student-athletes representing many RIIL member schools participating in a variety of leadership, teamwork and fitness challenges.

STUDENT AMBASSADORS PROGRAM



Student-athletes were encouraged to represent their schools as RIIL Student Ambassadors. Ambassadors received information about various leadership opportunities and were asked to spread the word about RIIL initiatives with their school communities.

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RIIL provides Rhode Island Council on Problem Gambling Resource Corner through RICPG partnership

The state affiliate of the National Council on Problem Gambling, the Rhode Island Council on Problem Gambling is a non-profit organization that advocates for research, prevention, education and treatment for problem gamblers. Among the wide range of programs and services it provides, RICPG provides a confidential 24-hour helpline for individuals experiencing a gambling problem. According to the NCPG, children and teens are at higher risk than adults for developing a gambling problem. Additionally, individuals who start gambling at a young age are also more likely to develop a gambling addiction later in life.

Through a partnership between the RIIL and RICPG, the RIIL created the Rhode Island Council on Problem Gambling Resource Corner on the RIIL web page to provide resources and support to help prevent youth gambling and to equip everyone with the tools needed to have confident conversations.



DEVELOPING THE NEXT GENERATION OF GREAT SPORTS OFFICIALS



"Without officials, there are no games, so we all need to do our part to attract, sustain and grow the next generation of game officials. With that in mind, the RIIL is excited to work with RefReps to provide an online officiating curriculum specific to NFHS playing rules that is interactive, engaging and available to our member high schools."

- Mike Lunney, RIIL Executive Director

With the nationwide shortage of officials continuing to impact high school sports, the RIIL aims to do its part in addressing the shortage of officials in Rhode Island by partnering with an officiating education company called RefReps (www.refreps.com).

RefReps provides a comprehensive Sports Officiating Education curriculum for more than a dozen sports. The RIIL believes this provides a viable opportunity for the league's member schools to offer Sports Officiating education to students during their curricular day as an elective course.

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Inaugural RIIL Middle School Sports Season Launches 2024-25

The 2024-25 school year marked the first time in RIIL history that the league offered middle school sports, offering school-based sports opportunities to middle schools that voluntarily wish to become RIIL member schools beginning in the fall of 2024. Patricia Aull was appointed to the PCOA Board as Middle School Administrator. Ted Quigley was appointed Middle School Coordinator. Educational school-based athletics provide student-athletes with the opportunity to engage in healthy competition, develop valuable life skills and build camaraderie with their peers. Middle School sports serve as an avenue for physical activity, a platform for personal growth and the reinforcement of essential values such as teamwork, sportsmanship and perseverance.



Overview of 2024-25 School Year

Inaugural RIIL Middle School Championship Results—2024-2025

FALL

Cross Country

Boys Team Champions: Cole Middle School
Boys Team Runner up: Alan Shawn Feinstein M.S.
Girls Team Champions: North Cumberland M.S.
Girls Team Runner up: Barrington Middle School

Boys Soccer

Champions – Alan Shawn Feinstein Middle School
Runner up – Wickford Middle School

Girls Soccer

Champions - Lincoln Middle School
Runner Up – Chariho Middle School

WINTER

Boys Basketball

State Championship

Winner: Archie Cole Middle School
Runner up: Gallagher Middle School

Girls Basketball

State Championship

Winner: Westerly Middle School
Runner up: Alan Shawn Feinstein Middle School

Wrestling

Futures Tournament

Winner: Barrington Middle School
Runner up: Birchwood/Ricci Co-op

State Tournament

Boys Winner: Alan Shawn Feinstein Middle School
Boys Runner up: Kickemuit Middle School
Girls Winner: Calcutt/Blackstone VLY Prep M.S. Co-op
Girls Runner up: Nathaniel Greene Middle School

Division Champion

Calcutt/Blackstone Valley Prep Middle School Co-op

SPRING

Baseball

State Championship

Winner: Bishop Hendricken Middle School
Runner-up: Cole Middle School

Softball

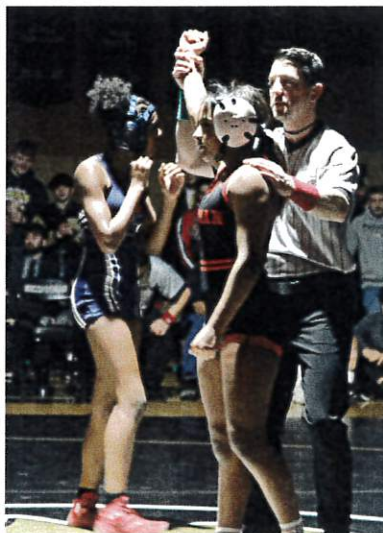
State Championship

Winner: Barrington Middle School
Runner up: Western Hills Middle School

Boys and Girls Outdoor Track & Field

State Championship

Girls Winner - Broad Rock Middle School
Girls Runner-up – Barrington Middle School
Boys Winner – Chariho Middle School
Boys Runner-up – Lincoln Middle School



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2024-2025 RIIL High School Championship Results

FALL SPORTS

Field Hockey

Division Champions

Division I – Moses Brown School

Division II- Lincoln H.S.

Division II- Classical H.S.

State Champions

State Champions – Moses Brown

Runner up – East Greenwich H.S.

Division II– Lincoln H.S.

Runner up – Cumberland H.S.

Division III – Smithfield H.S.

Runner up – Classical H.S.

Boys Soccer

Division Champions

Division I – Bishop Hendricken H.S.

Division II – Mt. Hope H.S.

Division III – Scituate H.S.

State Champions

State Champions – Bishop Hendricken

Runner up – La Salle Academy

Division II – Shea H.S.

Runner up – Lincoln H.S.

Division III – Scituate H.S.

Runner up – Johnston H.S.

Girls Soccer

Division Champions

Division I – Cumberland H.S.

Division II – Prout School

Division III – St. Raphael Academy

Division IV – Tiverton H.S.

State Champions

Division I – North Kingstown H.S.

Runner up – Cumberland H.S.

Division II – Prout School

Runner up – Westerly H.S.

Division III – St. Raphael Academy

Runner up – Exeter West Greenwich H.S.

Division IV – Tiverton H.S.

Runner up – Davies Career & Tech H.S.

Girls Tennis

Division Champions

Division I – Barrington H.S.

Division II – Westerly H.S.

Division III – Coventry H.S.

State Champions

State Champions – Barrington H.S.

Runner up – La Salle Academy

Division II – Westerly H.S.

Runner up – Prout School

Division III – Tiverton H.S.

Runner up – Exeter West Greenwich H.S.

Individuals:

Singles

Winner: Alexa Clark, S. Kingstown H.S.

Runner up: Biianca Presciutti, La Salle

Doubles:

Winners: Moira Haxton & Alexandra Roye, La Salle Academy

Runners up: Addy Friedman & Jasmine Malik, Barrington H.S.

Girls Volleyball

Division Champions

Division I – North Kingstown H.S.

Division II – Barrington H.S.

Division III – Ponaganset H.S.

Division IV – Central H.S.

State Champions

D I State Champion – N Kingstown H.S.

Runner up – Portsmouth H.S.

Division II – Barrington H.S.

Runner up – Middletown H.S.

Division III – Tolman H.S.

Runner up –Ponaganset H.S.

Division IV – Central H.S.

Runner up – Hope H.S.

Game Day Cheer Championship

Division I – La Salle Academy

Runner up: Coventry H.S.

Division II – West Warwick H.S.

Runner up: Barrington H.S.

Div III – Achievement 1st Providence

Runner up: St. Raphael Academy

Overall State Champions – Achievement 1st Providence H.S.

State Runner up: St. Raphael Academy

Unified Volleyball

Division I – Bishop Hendricken H.S.

Runner up – East Greenwich H.S.

Division II – North Kingstown H.S.

Runner up – Woonsocket H.S.

Division III – Westerly H.S.

Runner up – Ponaganset H.S.

Division IV – Mt. Pleasant H.S.

Runner up – Cranston H.S. East

Division V – Barrington H.S.

Runner up – Exeter West Greenwich H.S.

Division VI – Lincoln H.S.

Runner up – RI School for the Deaf

Overview of 2024-25 School Year

2024-2025 RILL High School Championship Results

Cross Country

Team Division Champions

Northern

Metropolitan

Southern

Suburban

Class Champions

Class A

Class B

Class C

Boys

Cumberland H.S.

Portsmouth H.S.

North Kingstown H.S.

Bishop Hendricken H.S.

Bishop Hendricken H.S.

East Greenwich H.S.

St. Raphael Academy

Girls

Cumberland H.S.

La Salle Academy

North Kingstown H.S.

East Greenwich H.S.

La Salle Academy

East Greenwich H.S.

Moses Brown School

State Champions

Champions

Runner up

Bishop Hendricken H.S.

East Greenwich H.S.

Cumberland H.S.

North Kingstown H.S.

State Individual Champion

Champion

Runner up

Marshall Vernon, La Salle

Sean Gray, Portsmouth H.S.

Keaney Bayha, Pilgrim H.S.

Abbie Tighe, North Kingstown H.S.

Boys Junior Varsity Champions Bishop Hendricken H.S.

Girls Junior Varsity Champions La Salle Academy

Football

Division Champions

Division I State – Bishop Hendricken H.S.

Division II – South Kingstown H.S.

Division III – Classical H.S.

Division IV – Narragansett H.S.

Division II – South Kingstown H.S.

Runner up: West Warwick H.S.

Division III – Ponagansett H.S.

Runner up – Classical H.S.

Division IV – Davies Career & Tech H.S.

Runner up – Narragansett H.S.

Superbowl Champions

State Champions – Bishop Hendricken H.S.

Runner up: La Salle Academy



Overview of 2024-25 School Year

2024-2025 RIIL High School Championship Results

WINTER SPORTS

Boys Basketball

Division Final Championships

Division I

Winner: La Salle Academy

Runner up: Bishop Hendricken H.S.

Division II

Winner: Moses Brown School

Runner up: West Warwick H.S.

Division III

Winner: Mt. Hope H.S.

Runner up: Times 2 Academy

State Champions

Winner: La Salle Academy

Runner up: Bishop Hendricken H.S.

Girls Basketball

Division Final Championships

Division I

Winner: North Kingstown H.S.

Runner Up: Ponaganset H.S.

Division II

Winner: Narragansett H.S.

Runner up: East Providence H.S.

Division III

Winner: Lincoln School

Runner up: Prout School

State Champions

Winner: Ponaganset H.S.

Runner up: Moses Brown School

Boys Hockey

State Champions

Division I

Winner: Bishop Hendricken H.S.

Runner up: Prout School

Division II

Winner: East Greenwich/Toll Gate Co-op

Runner up: Portsmouth H.S.

Girls Hockey

State Champions

Winner: La Salle Academy

Runner up: Smithfield/Coventry/Moses Brown Co-op

Gymnastics

State Champions

Division I

Winner: La Salle Academy

Runner up: Portsmouth H.S.

Division II

Winner: Prout/Ex. W, Greenwich Co-op

Runner up: Cranston H.S. West

Individual Champions

Gianna Desmarais, Cranston H.S. West

Lauren Horrigan, La Salle Academy

Kara Pisasale, Mt. Hope H.S.

Sarah Henderson, Barrington H.S.

Sophie Dunham, Barrington H.S.

Rowan Synder, Portsmouth H.S.

Boys and Girls Swim

Division Meet Champions

Division I – Boys

Winner: Bishop Hendricken H.S.

Runner up: South County Co-op

Division II – Boys

Winner: Moses Brown School

Runner up: Westerly H.S.

Division III – Boys

Winner: Mt. Hope H.S.

Runner up: Middletown/Rogers Co-op

Division I – Girls

Winner: Classical H.S.

Runner up: Prout School

Division II – Girls

Winner: Westerly H.S.

Runner up: East Greenwich H.S.

Division III – Girls

Winner: Mt. Hope H.S.

Runner up: Middletown/Rogers Co-op

State Champions

Boys Winner: Bishop Hendricken H.S.

Boys Runner up: South County Co-op

Girls Winner: Barrington H.S.

Girls Runner up: North Kingstown H.S.

Wrestling

Freshman State Tournament

Winner: North Kingstown H.S.

Runner up: Scituate H.S.

Junior Varsity State Tournament

Winner: Cranston H.S. West

Runner up: Bishop Hendricken H.S.

Division II/III Sectional Tournament

Winner: Toll Gate H.S.

Runner up: Lincoln H.S.

Boys State Champions

Winner: Ponaganset H.S.

Runner up: Bishop Hendricken H.S.

Girls State Champions

Winner: Scituate H.S.

Runner up: North Providence H.S.

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2024-2025 RIIL High School Championship Results

Boys Indoor Track

Division Champions

Division I Headley – Barrington H.S.

Division I Bayha – Bishop Hendricken

Division II Sullivan – St. Raphael Acad.

Division II Dwyer – La Salle Academy

Class Champions

Class A – La Salle Academy

Class B – Barrington H.S.

Class C – St. Raphael Academy

State Champion

Winner: La Salle Academy

Runner up: Barrington H.S.

Girls Indoor Track

Division Champions

Division I Headley – Cumberland H.S.

Division I Bayha – Classical H.S.

Division II Sullivan – N. Kingstown H.S.

Division II Dwyer – La Salle Academy

Class Champions

Class A – North Kingstown H.S.

Class B – Barrington H.S.

Class C – Moses Brown School

State Champion

Winner: West Warwick H.S.

Runner up: Classical H.S.

Competition Cheerleading

Overall State Team Champions

Winner: West Warwick H.S.

Runner up: AF Providence H.S.

Division - Co-Ed

Winner: West Warwick H.S.

Runner up: St. Raphael Academy

Division I

Winner: La Salle Academy

Runner up: Pilgrim H.S.

Division II

Winner: Barrington H.S.

Runner up: North Providence H.S.

Division III

Winner: Ponaganset H.S.

Runner up: Portsmouth H.S.

Division IV

Winner: AF Providence H.S.

Runner up: North Smithfield H.S.

Esports

Super Smash Bros Ultimate:

Champion – Chariho H.S.

Runner up: Classical H.S.

MarioKart Deluxe:

Champion: – Ponaganset H.S.

Runner up – Chariho H.S.

Rocket League:

Champion: – East Providence H.S.

Runner up – Ponaganset H.S.

SPRING SPORTS

Boys Tennis

State Champions – Barrington H.S.

Runner up – East Greenwich H.S.

Division II – Narragansett H.S.

Runner up – Prout School

Division III – Providence Country Day

Runner up – Cranston H.S. East

Individuals:

Singles Champ – J. Cavanagh, La Salle

Runner Up – A. Smith, La Salle Academy

Doubles Champs – S. Ciunci and P.

Cavanagh, Bishop Hendricken H.S.

Runners up – C. Meehan and H. Birbiglia, Barrington H.S.

Girls Lacrosse

State Champions – Moses Brown School

Runner up – La Salle Academy

Division II – Lincoln School

Runner up – Westerly H.S.

Division III – East Providence H.S.

Runner up – Smithfield H.S.

Division IV – Coventry H.S.

Runner up – Scituate H.S.

Boys Lacrosse

State Champions – La Salle Academy

Runner up – Moses Brown School

Division II – Portsmouth H.S.

Runner up – East Greenwich H.S.

Division III – Narragansett H.S.

Runner up – Mt. Hope H.S.

Division IV – Rogers H.S.

Runner up – Scituate H.S.

Baseball

State Champion – Bishop Hendricken

Runner up – Cumberland H.S.

Division II – North Providence H.S.

Runner up – East Greenwich H.S.

Division III – Woonsocket H.S.

Runner up – Pawtucket Co-op



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2024-2025 RIIL High School Championship Results

Fast-pitch Softball

State Champions – La Salle Academy

Runner up – Chariho H.S.

Division II – St. Raphael Academy

Runner up – West Warwick H.S.

Division III – Tiverton H.S.

Runner up – Cranston H.S. East

Boys Volleyball

State Champions – Cranston H.S. East

Runner up – North Kingstown H.S.

Division II – Lincoln H.S.

Runner up – Pawtucket Co-op

Division III – Mt. Hope H.S.

Runner up – Portsmouth H.S.

Golf

Team Champions – La Salle Academy

Runner up – Moses Brown School

Girls Individual Champion – Adriana Eaton, Moses Brown

Runner up – Claire McTaggart, Barr.

Boys Individual Champion – Drew McLeod, La Salle Academy

Runner up – Garrett Carney, E. Green.

Unified Basketball

Division I Champion – Rogers H.S.

Runner Up – Woonsocket H.S.

Division 2 Champion – E Providence H.S.

Runner Up – Mt. Pleasant H.S.

Division 3 Champion – Ponaganset H.S.

Runner Up – Exeter West Greenwich H.S.

Division 4 Champion – Westerly H.S.

Runner Up – Johnston H.S.

Division 5 Champion – East Greenwich.

Runner Up – Hope H.S.

Division 6 Champion – Portsmouth H.S.

Runner Up – Smithfield H.S.

Division 7 Champion – Pilgrim H.S.

Runner Up – Mt. Hope H.S.

Division 8 Champion – Tolman H.S.

Runner Up – Burrillville H.S.

Division 9 Champion – Cumberland H.S.

Runner Up – Cranston H.S. West

Boys and Girls Outdoor Track

Division Championships

Boys Northern – St. Raphael Academy

Boys Central – Bishop Hendricken H.S.

Boys Eastern – Barrington H.S.

Boys Southern – North Kingstown H.S.

Girls Northern – Cumberland H.S.

Girls Central – La Salle Academy

Girls Eastern – Barrington H.S.

Girls Southern – North Kingstown H.S.

Class Championships

Boys Class A – Bishop Hendricken H.S.

Boys Class B – Barrington H.S.

Boys Class C – St. Raphael H.S.

Girls Class A – North Kingstown H.S.

Girls Class B – Barrington H.S.

Girls Class C – Moses Brown School

State Championships

Boys State Champion – La Salle

Runner up – Bishop Hendricken H.S.

Girls State Champion – Cumberland

Runner up – West Warwick H.S.

Freshman Championships

Boys Freshman Champions – Bishop Hendricken H.S.

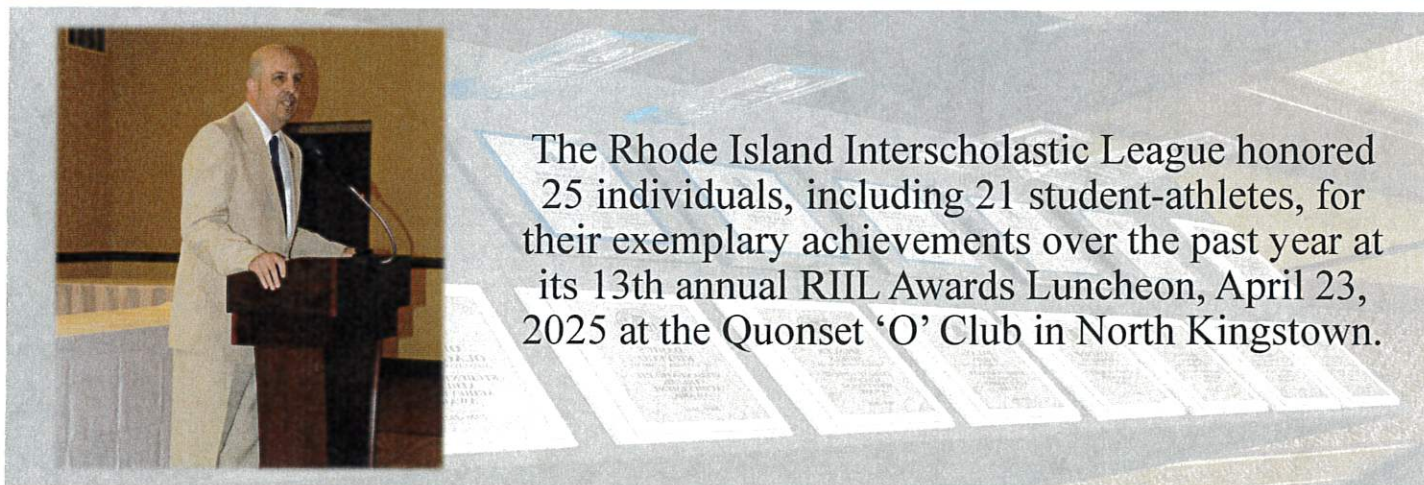
Runner up – Classical H.S.

Girls Freshman Champions – La Salle

Runner up – North Kingstown H.S.



2024-25 Awards & Recognition



The Rhode Island Interscholastic League honored 25 individuals, including 21 student-athletes, for their exemplary achievements over the past year at its 13th annual RIIL Awards Luncheon, April 23, 2025 at the Quonset 'O' Club in North Kingstown.

The RIIL Student-Athlete of the Year awards, presented by Blue Cross Blue Shield of R.I., recognize the outstanding efforts of two seniors in Rhode Island high school athletic programs. These awards are given to student-athletes who excel in the classroom and during competition, who participate in multiple school-sponsored sports, and who demonstrate good citizenship in their school and in their community.



Austin Simas “is the kind of young person who elevates those around him,” Scituate High School principal Michael Hassell said. Competing for the Spartans’ boys soccer, indoor track and golf teams throughout high school, the captain helped lead Scituate to the 2022 Division IV and 2024 Division III Soccer Championships, receiving MVP, All-Tournament, All-Division, All-State and Player of the Year honors.

“What sets Austin apart, however, is that his is that his leadership extends far beyond sports,” Hassell continued. “With a 4.810 GPA, a top-three class rank, and roles as President of the National Honor Society, Student Council, and DECA Club, Austin is deeply engaged in every aspect of our school community. He’s also been instrumental in advancing our Entrepreneurship Career and Technical Education program, even launching an inclusive school store that creates opportunities for students of all abilities.”

Austin, who started his own lawn care business five years ago, is also a member of Scituate’s Broadcasting Club and School Improvement Team. He has followed in the footsteps of his father and grandfather by becoming a trained and certified CPR instructor. He has also followed his grandfather’s lead by pursuing his pilot’s license.

After graduating from Scituate this spring, Austin plans to continue his education at Babson College with a major in Entrepreneurship and the goal of becoming a CEO. He also plans on playing for the Beavers’ soccer and golf teams.



“In a time of sports specialization, Keaney specializes in being a good citizen in every aspect of her life,” Pilgrim High School principal Toby Gibbons wrote in what he described as “my strongest letter of recommendation I have written in my 33 years of working with student-athletes in the high school setting.”

The Pilgrim senior has competed on seven Patriots sports teams throughout high school, playing field hockey and running cross country simultaneously in the fall and then moving on to indoor track and field and swimming in the winter and outdoor track in the spring. In addition, she has been a partner and shadow on the Patriots’ fall unified volleyball and spring unified basketball teams.

Keaney has captained all of those teams and amassed a multitude of All-Division, All-Class and All-State honors in track and cross country, capturing the Individual State Cross Country title last fall.

The class Salutatorian boasts a 4.63 GPA, has served as Class President for four years, as well as the president of Pilgrim’s chapter of the National Honor Society. She is also a member of the Spanish and National Art Honors Societies, as well as Pilgrim’s Student Council and the school’s Debate Club, and has served as a Civic Student Liaison to the Secretary of State.

Keaney will be attending URI in the fall and hopes to major in English and History, while also competing for the women’s track and cross country teams.

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Nominees



Student-Athlete of the Year Award

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Announcing this year's nominees, listed alphabetically by school:

Lucienne (Lucy) O'Brien, Mt. Hope	Chelsea Godin, St. Raphael Academy
Andres Perez-Ortega, Mt. Pleasant	Austin Simas, Scituate
Lara Freitas Da Luz, Mt. Pleasant	Emma Smith, Scituate
Cole Francis, Narragansett	Luizandro Sanches, Shea
Grace Blessing, Narragansett	Roselyn Samano, Shea
Charles Randall, North Kingstown	Seth Borges, Smithfield
Samantha Haun, North Kingstown	Ava Brule, Smithfield
Michael Allard, North Providence	Jonah Monnes, South Kingstown
Catherine Nicolo, North Providence	Abigail O'Connor, South Kingstown
Raeghan Reilly, North Smithfield	Dominik Him, Times2 Academy
Samantha Thibeault, North Smithfield	Nayshalee Reyes, Times2 Academy
Keaney Bayha, Pilgrim	Nolan Page, Tiverton
Hunter Schobel, Pilgrim	Jenna Del Deo, Tiverton
Owen Allen, Ponaganset	Jack Colvin, Toll Gate
Anastasia Nerney, Ponaganset	Mary McNulty, Toll Gate
Aiden Chen, Portsmouth	John Hilaire, Tolman
Alexandra Kaull, Portsmouth	Moriah Stefanix, Tolman
Matthew Chofay, Prout	Alex Sammataro, Westerly
Ella Martin, Prout	Kate Rafferty, Westerly
Cesar Godinez, PCD	Xenia Raye, West Warwick
Maggie Holland, PCD	Christian Briggs, West Warwick
Similaki Lui, Rogers	Isabella Piette, Woonsocket
Laura Hoag, Rogers	Arianna Hay, Woonsocket
Francisco DaMoura, St. Patrick's	
Timothy Cedergren, St. Raphael Academy	

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Jairon Nunez, Achievement 1st Providence	Evan Spencer, Cumberland
Kaylee Cabrera, Achievement 1st Providence	Rose Tuomisto, Cumberland
Aden Memoli, Barrington	Edward Guzman, Davies Career & Tech
Emma Mueller, Barrington	Madison Blanchette, Davies Career & Tech
Jacqueline Mattos, Bay View	Brody Fahys, East Greenwich
Ethan Charnley, Bishop Hendricken	Olivia Prior, East Greenwich
Zoe Costa, Blackstone Valley Prep	Colin Roche, East Providence
Emily Helterline, Block Island	Kloey Iacavone, East Providence
Juliana Jaramillo Munoz, Block Island	Liam Jarvis, Ex/W. Greenwich
Dylan Franklin, Burrillville	Sadie Ray, Ex/W. Greenwich
Olivia Ferraro, Burrillville	Karl Desir, Hope
Danna Garcia, Central	Arianys Garo Rios, Hope
Adyhi Mitchell, Central	Logan Martins, Johnston
Leandro Rojas Vargas, Central Falls	Noelle Patenaude, Johnston
Melany Rodriguez, Central Falls	John Rodehorst, La Salle Academy
Will Ellis, Chariho	Lauren Horrigan, La Salle Academy
Emily Brown, Chariho	John Nicoll, Lincoln
Jordan Duke, Classical	Charlotte Labossierre, Lincoln
Jane "Orla" Howlett, Classical	Severine Michel, Lincoln School
Nathan Blissmer, Coventry	Bianca Monteiro-Lopes, Lincoln School
Mia Hoskins, Coventry	Evan LeVasseur, Middletown
Darien Peterson, Cranston East	Madelyn King, Middletown
Madeline Flinn, Cranston East	Walter Crosby, Moses Brown
Ethan Madden, Cranston West	Vivian Stone, Moses Brown
Mia Crudale, Cranston West	Cohen Ferreira, Mt. Hope

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LINCOLN HIGH SCHOOL



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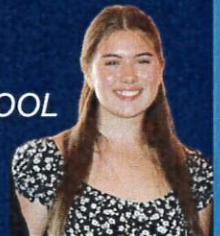
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2024-25 UNIFIED SPORTS AWARDS



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WEST WARWICK HIGH SCHOOL



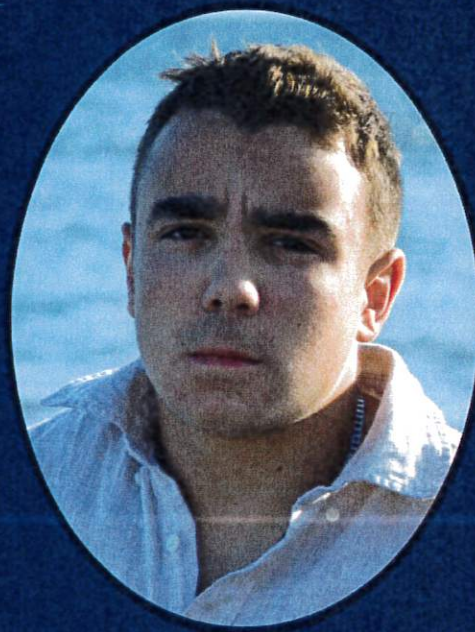
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LOCAL 51 TRADES SCHOLARSHIP

2025 Recipient

Seth Aguiar
Tiverton High School



**2025 ALICE SULLIVAN
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RECIPIENT**

ASHLEY GAGNER
SMITHFIELD H.S. GRADUATE
LASELL UNIVERSITY FRESHMAN



History of the RIIL

March 9, 1899: A meeting was held with delegates from Cranston High School, Hope High School, East Providence High School and Classical High School to state their ideas as to the advisability of forming a league. On a motion made and carried, the league was formed by the schools represented and officers were elected.

A committee was elected to draw up articles of agreement, and Article 1 named the association The Interscholastic League. In all, 15 articles of agreement were discussed by section and adopted.

The first recognized sport was baseball, and the member schools were asked to develop the schedule. On June 13, 1899, the Interscholastic League awarded Classical High School the Baseball Championship of the 1899 season.

September 29, 1899: Manual Training High School, Providence English High School and Pawtucket High School were admitted to membership. In addition, the committee approved a football season. The football schedule was approved, and the first football game was held on October 13, 1899 between Cranston High School and East Providence High School, with East Providence prevailing, 5-0. The Spalding Football Rules were adopted. East Providence High School was awarded the first Football Championship.



January 23, 1900: The Board of Directors moved and seconded that the sport of polo be accepted. Hope St. High School was awarded the first Polo Championship in 1900.

February 23, 1900: The Board of Directors voted to approve **five eligibility rules** to be applied to all League Athletics:

- No professionals were allowed to participate*
- The Board of Directors would investigate all eligibility matters*
- Five years of eligibility for each player*
- There was a transfer rule*
- Penalty for violations was forfeiture*

May 5, 1900: The league approved the Interscholastic Field Athletic Meet (track & field). Classical High School was awarded the first Field Day Championship.

January 1901: The Board of Directors voted mandating that all member schools submit a list of eligible athletes in all sports.

December 16, 1901: Woonsocket High School was admitted to the Interscholastic League.



History of the RIIL

December 2, 1902: The Board of Directors voted to allow the league to arrange for a hockey season. Hope St. High School was awarded the first Hockey Championship for the 1903 season.

March 1904: The Board of Directors voted to approve the National League Baseball Rules with the exception of the foul strike.

Initial League Issues:

- * Uneven competition
- * Lack of eligibility standards
- * Organization
- * Spectator riots, mob scenes....
- * Few suitable playing surfaces
- * No professional preparation for coaches
- * Officials were usually chosen from the crowd
- * If the home team lost – the visiting team was stoned out of town

1928: A group of high school principals became interested in forming an organization which would control and administer athletics as one of its objectives.

1932: The R.I. Secondary School Principals' Association was organized, defining its objectives as follows: *Its object shall be to raise the standards of the secondary schools of RI and to advance the professional interests of the members of this association.*

Committees were established: * R.I. Honor Society * Relations with the Office of the R.I. State Director of Education * Athletics

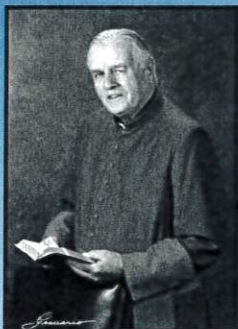
March 1932: The Interscholastic League was formally organized as it is today. It was organized to meet the expressed needs of high schools for a functional sports program that would be governed by a committee of principals.

1952: The RIIL joined the National Federation of State High School Associations.

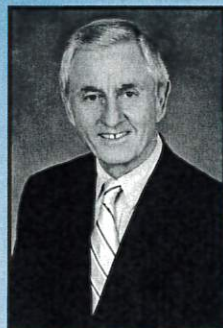
Today: Now in its 126th year of existence, the R.I. Interscholastic League is governed by the Principals' Committee on Athletics, and its 73 member schools.



R.I. Interscholastic League Executive Directors Past and Present . . .



Msgr. Robert C. Newbold
Executive Director, RIIL
1969-1994



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Executive Director, RIIL
1994-2004



Thomas A. Mezzanotte
Executive Director, RIIL
2004-2020



Michael P. Lunney
Executive Director, RIIL
2020-present

RIIL Mission

Who we are: The Rhode Island Interscholastic League was established in 1899 and became incorporated in 1932. It is a voluntary, private, incorporated, non-profit organization of principals who pledge their high schools and participants to follow the Rules and Regulations of the League. There are 73 public, private, parochial, alternative education and charter high schools that make up the membership. The RIIL sponsors championships in 31 sports and activities. More than 31,000 young men and women compete annually in thousands of competitions. The purpose of the Rhode Island Interscholastic League is to supervise and administer the athletic programs, contests, schedules and matters related to participating schools in the state of Rhode Island.

Core Beliefs and Values: Athletics is an integral part of education in our schools • Interscholastic athletics is a privilege that enhances the education of students • Leadership, responsibility, sportsmanship and scholarship are essential parts of athletics • Athletics is an enjoyable experience which fosters valuable life lessons • All member schools have the opportunity to be represented and are accountable to the standards of the RIIL • Fostering a professional relationship among its colleagues is a responsibility of the RIIL.

Vision: The RIIL is an organization with high standards for its member schools, student athletes, and constituencies. Through professional collegiality the League advocates and promotes the value of interscholastic athletics. The League provides athletic experiences that enable student athletes to reach their highest level of academic and athletic potential and prepares them to become responsible citizens.

Mission: The mission of the Rhode Island Interscholastic League is to provide its member schools governance, leadership and support for interscholastic athletics which gives student athletes opportunities to compete in an environment that stresses education, sportsmanship, integrity and safety.



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