

## A Brief Letter about the Boys Soccer Program at HBHS

First, I want to introduce myself to all of you.

My name is Sean J Dick. I have been a coach in the HB area for the past 25 years.

My last two club teams finished in Top Ten in the entire United States (recorded by [gotsoccer.com](http://gotsoccer.com))

I have coached at every level from recreational soccer all the way to coaching Collegiate Soccer and I am a Nationally Licensed Coach.

I have just finished my fifth year at HBHS... I came in with a four year plan to rebuild the program. In my first year my frosh-soph team won Sunset League

Last year both F/S and JV finished in the top three in their brackets with the JV team going undefeated in the second half of the season...and the F/S team was the dominant team in their bracket.

Soccer at HBHS is year round starting with the Summer Camp...as stated in the summer camp brochure (that you can download from the website), we start to teach defense in your first week at camp, we then expand into the midfield and the into the attacking third.

This is a big part of our year round training program. This is where we identify players for each level and start our relationship with these players.

When we come back to school, then we become very focused and detail oriented when fall starts. This is why summer camp is so important for every player at HBHS including incoming freshmen...so you know what we want from you, and then when we have the fall tryouts so that you will be prepared to show the coaching staff that you want to be a part of this program.

Also in the fall, we start to define the roles of each position on the pitch. We start to identify players for those roles. We also start to work on the players 1v1 skills and then start the process towards P/C/B...this then ties us to the midfield and we start to learn to attack from the back, while learning to be a possessive soccer team.

This is where we encourage creativity and teach the players the three key moments of the game. This is also where we teach one and two touch soccer and how to solve problems together as a team...knowing what to do on and off the soccer ball.

We will touch on the attacking third before we get to the pre-season. Once in the pre-season the players coaches will define how they want their team to attack, who covers and who supports.

The coaches will review with the players everything that they learned with the Program Director in the Fall to make sure these lessons are not forgotten but, continuously applied to strengthen the team.

Every player will play in the pre-season so that they can show the coaching staff that they are understanding and applying what has been taught to them since the summer camp.

On our website, you will see the title **Determined To Be Champions**...and we want players that share that same belief and goal.

By the time we get to season you should be able to defend as a team, solve problems together as a team, and build forward while staying connected as a team, and become dangerous in the final third and...we encourage you to be creative on the pitch and to play for each other...creative players are very difficult to defend...and good teams are hard to beat.

I have also been fortunate enough to be able to bring in a couple of HBHS Alumni to assist me with the Varsity program. Jhovany Hernandez played college and Professional Level Soccer. His knowledge and experience only strengthens this program. Max Talbert has joined us after finishing playing for San Francisco State where he captained that program.

We have put together a program at HBHS that will help the player use soccer as a means to an education while complimenting his team outside of high school. Our goal here is to develop soccer players that are Student athlete's ... not athletic students... School first.

But because we have the players year round, we are able to do things for our players that most teams outside of high school cannot. Example: this spring is ball mastery and weight training. Teaching the players foot skills that will build their confidence as a player. This is only something you can get with a private trainer and we are providing it in our spring class...and how many soccer programs outside of high school have a weight room?

We teach soccer year round using a year round season plan and we all we ask is for a small contribution to keep the program going. When you compare what you get in club vs what you will get here at HBHS for 50%(or more) less money, I believe that you will be able to see the value in our program and that your contribution will be money well invested in your son's future.

Thru some generous donations this year, we have been able to purchase more goals, and training aids to develop touch, speed, and finishing abilities, we have also been able to bring in a goal keeper trainer (year round starting this summer) ...again this was possible from your support of the Boys Soccer Program.

Support starts in the summer...with camp

Please make sure to get registered for camp if you are serious about playing for HBHS next year. This applies to all players... incoming freshmen and returning players included.

Please make sure to fill out the information on the brochure and please fill out the emergency card that is on the boys website.

You will also need a physical...the school does one and the money goes to help with the trainers costs...please note that you must have your physical after June 1, 2016 so it will be good for the entire year.

You can get your physical at HBHS on June 6, 2016...the information is on the boys website.

Please make out your checks for summer camp and send your registration forms and emergency cards to:

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Here is the website address: [www.hbhsboysoccer.com](http://www.hbhsboysoccer.com)

Here is my email address is you have any questions:  
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And you can also reach the boosters by clicking on the boosters button on the boys website

I look forward to meeting all of you this summer

All the Best!

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Varsity Head Coach  
All Turf Tournament Director