

SCCAL Policy Section

SCCAL Awards and Honors

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1. **Section A** - All-League awards will follow league set parameters and regulations. Individual sports may not expand on the All-League criteria established by the SCCAL. Suitable awards shall be presented to schools and/or individuals winning league championships or co-championships.
 - a. Team awards: Varsity – pennants; Frosh, F/S and JV – none
2. **Section B** - All-League selections will be determined as follows:
 - a. In sports where there are 8 or fewer starters (Basketball, Golf, Water-Polo, Beach VB, and GFF), the All-League team will be selected on a one-for-one basis determined by the number of starters. For example, basketball has 5 starters, they receive 5 1st team selections.
 - i. Number of 1st team and 2nd selections for teams with 8 or fewer starters:
 1. Boys & Girls Basketball – 5
 2. Girls Flag Football - 7 offense, 7 defense
 3. Boys & Girls Golf – 6
 4. Girls Beach Volleyball - 6 pairs
 5. Boys & Girls Water-Polo – 7
 6. Boys & Girls Volleyball - due to the Libero position, they will get 7 1st-team selections.
 7. Boys & Girls Tennis - 8; 4 singles players & 4 doubles players
 - b. In sports where there are 9 or more starters (Baseball, Football, Lacrosse, Soccer, and Softball), the All-League teams get a plus-one. For example, soccer has 11 starters, they receive 12 1st team selections. The coaches can determine what position the plus-one selection represents.
 - i. Number of 1st and 2nd team selections for teams with 9 or more starters:
 1. Baseball – 10
 2. Football – 12 offense, 12 defense, plus a kicker and a punter - PCAL currently
 3. Boys & Girls Lacrosse – 11 - currently a PCAL sport and follows their rules
 4. Boys & Girls Soccer – 12
 5. Softball – 10
 - c. A post-season meeting must be held to determine SCCAL All-League selections. The All-League meeting must have a coach or representative (asst. coach or AD) from every school in order to select the All-League team. If not all teams are represented, the All-League team cannot be selected and/or will not be recognized.
 - d. There are no All-League teams for Cross-Country, Tennis, Swimming, Track & Field, and Wrestling.

- e. All-League teams must reflect their sport. For example, the football team cannot have four 1st team QB's and three 1st team O-linemen. Football does not have to select one center, two guards, and two tackles, but it must select 5 O-linemen. All sports must follow this rule. However, coaches have some flexibility. For example, using Football again, one year the coaches might select four 1st team linebackers and three 1st team def. lineman, and the next year select 3 linebackers and 4 linemen. In Baseball, as another example, there must be 3 OF's, but not necessarily a right, left, and center fielder.
- f. All sports, following these by-laws, shall select a 1st-team All-League and a 2nd-team All-League. Where the plus-one is applicable, it also applies to 2nd-team selections.
 - i. 3rd-teams will not be recognized.
 - ii. There are no nomination allotments according to finish in league play.
- g. Honorable Mention - If there are 8 or fewer starters in a sport, each school can select 2 Honorable Mentions. If there are 9 or more starters, each school can select 3 Honorable Mentions. These selections are made by the head coach of each school.
 - i. HM's in excess of these numbers will not be recognized.
- h. 1st and 2nd-team All-League selection process:
 - i. All 1st-team selections will be nominated by the coaches (or school representative) and voted upon by the coaches (or school reps).
 - ii. Coaches will nominate their athletes for 1st-team, position-by-position. This will be followed by discussion. Voting will then take place. Ties will be broken by additional discussion and re-voting.
 - iii. 2nd-team selections will follow the same procedure as above. 2nd-team nominees must be nominated for 1st-team to be considered for 2nd-team.
 - 1. Additional nominees for the 2nd-team are allowed if not enough people are nominated to fill the 2nd-team.
 - iv. In the sport of Football, an athlete can be selected to both 1st-team offense and 1st-team defense.
- i. Special Awards - All sports will be limited to the Special Awards described below:
 - i. All sports will receive 1 **Flex Award** (flex for flexibility). This is to give coaches some flexibility in honoring athletes. One year the coaches might select a Most Courageous, another year a Most Inspirational, and another year a Special Teams Player. The coaches DO NOT have to use the Flex Award. It is up to them each season.
 - ii. Co-MVP's are allowed, but not encouraged. Only the MVP award can be a co-award; no other awards may be a co-award.
 - iii. Special Awards:
 - 1. Baseball - MVP, Pitcher-of-the-Year (plus flex)
 - 2. Boys & Girls Basketball - MVP (plus flex)
 - 3. Girls Beach Volleyball - MVP (plus flex)

4. Girls Flag Football - MVP (plus flex)
 5. Football - MVP, Offensive Player-of-the-Year, Defensive Player-of-the-Year, Lineman-of-the-Year (plus flex)
 6. Boys & Girls Golf - MVP (plus flex)
 7. Boys & Girls Lacrosse - MVP, Offensive Player-of-the-Year, Defensive Player-of-the-Year (plus flex)
 8. Boys & Girls Soccer - see below
 9. Softball - MVP, Pitcher-of-the-Year (plus flex)
 10. Boys & Girls Tennis - MVP (plus flex)
 11. Boys & Girls Volleyball - MVP (plus flex)
 12. Boys & Girls Water-Polo - MVP (plus flex)
- iv. Boys & Girls Soccer Special Awards (note - Soccer does not receive a flex award)
 1. MVP
 2. Attacker-of-the-Year
 3. Midfielder-of-the-Year
 4. Defender-of-the-Year
 5. Goalkeeper-of-the-Year
 - v. Timeline - All sports will have a post-season meeting (pre-determined by their sport's league rep or the Commissioner) no later than one week after the end of the regular season. The sport league rep will:
 1. Organize and run the All-League meeting
 2. Recommend from coaches nominations prior to meeting
 3. The Commissioner is the only person who should submit to the media the results for release. All-League selections must be submitted to the Commissioner after selections for verification.
3. **Section C** - Suitable awards shall be presented to schools winning league championships or co-championships, and to individuals.
- a. Team awards: Varsity - Pennants; JV's - none
 - i. There are no SCCAL team championships in JV, frosh-soph, or frosh leagues.
 - b. Individual awards:
 - i. Cross Country - Individual medals for 1st - 3rd places. Varsity team winners - medals 1st - 3rd
 - ii. Boys & Girls Tennis - Individual medals for 1st-place singles, 2nd-place singles, 1st-place doubles, and 2nd-place doubles. Varsity team winners - 6 medals.
 - iii. Boys & Girls Swimming and Diving - Varsity: Individual medals for 1st – 3rd in single races and relays; ribbons for 4th and 5th places; JV: ribbons for 1st - 5th places.
 - iv. Boys & Girls Wrestling - Varsity: individual medals for 1st - 3rd places; JV and novice: ribbons for 1st - 3rd places
 - v. Boys & Girls Track and Field - Individual medals for 1st – 3rd places
 - vi. Boys & Girls Golf - Individual medal for 1st

- vii. Note - Cross-Country and Track Awards are donated by Wharf-to-Wharf
- 4. **Section D** - Individual championship and all-league certificates will be issued for varsity teams in football, volleyball, water-polo, basketball, soccer, baseball, softball and golf. On-line certificates each AD will have, and the Commissioner will hold the master copies.
- 5. **Section E** - League championships will be awarded to the team having the best standing in SCCAL dual competition in all sports.
 - a. Note: several SCCAL sports have tie-breakers to determine championships, and many do not.
- 6. **Section F** - Where regular SCCAL play results in a tie for the championship, and either there is no tie-breaker or the tie-breaker was not successful, there will be no playoff, and an award will be given to each team which tied.