

# Boys' Soccer (Fall) FAB 50 Rankings

*This is the final ESPN RISE FAB 50 for the fall season.*

The list of past FAB 50 national champions reads as a Who's Who of high school soccer.

Now, the most dominant program in Kansas history takes its place in the fraternity. St. Thomas Aquinas (Overland Park, Kan.), which already held the No. 1 spot, is confirmed as this year's FAB 50 fall champion as we release the final rankings for the season.

The final week did bring about some change as Page (N.C.) makes a major move into the Top 5, Newburgh (N.Y.) cracks the Top 10 and Christian Brothers (Mo.) adds to its legacy.

In addition, a few teams that were finished weeks ago finally break into the rankings as several lower ranked programs lost last week.

The following is a list of former FAB 50 fall No. 1 teams:

- 2009:** St. Thomas Aquinas (Overland Park, Kan.)
- 2008:** Brentwood (N.Y.)
- 2007:** Broughton (Raleigh, N.C.)
- 2006:** St. Benedict's (Newark, N.J.)
- 2005:** St. Benedict's (Newark, N.J.)/St. Ignatius (Cleveland, Ohio)
- 2004:** Upper St. Clair (Pittsburgh, Pa.)
- 2003:** Sacramento Jesuit (Carmichael, Calif.)
- 2002:** Hudson (Hudson, Ohio)
- 2001:** St. Benedict's Prep (Newark, N.J.)
- 2000:** Horizon (Thornton, Colo.)
- 1999:** Davis (Davis, Calif.)

**(Rankings are through matches played as of Sunday, Nov. 22)**

## Week 13

Rank	School	Record	Prev. Rank	Notes/Comments
1	Saint Thomas Aquinas	21-0	1	<b>Season complete.</b> Kansas Class 5A state champion. Emilio Quezada scored twice on throw-ins by Sean

(Overland Park,  
KS)

Latz as St. Thomas Aquinas capped a perfect season with a 2-0 victory over Bishop Miege in the Kansas Class 5A state final. The result marked the seventh straight state title for Aquinas and 13th overall. This was Aquinas' first undefeated state champion since the 1994 squad. Aquinas makes a strong case for national No. 1 consideration powered by tournament titles in the Tiger/Bronco Classic, the Top Dawg (which included Missouri power Rockhurst) and a bracket title at the Gateway City Classic (which included teams from Colorado, Illinois, Missouri and New York). Through it all, Aquinas recorded 15 shutout victories. The team's balanced attack netted 55 goals with 13 different players finding the net. Quezada was the team-leader with nine goals.

2 Lincoln 22-0-1 2  
(Gahanna, OH)

**Season complete.** Ohio Division I state champion. Wil Trapp's successful conversion in the shootout lifted Lincoln to a dramatic victory over St. Ignatius after a scoreless match in the title match. Keeper Ryan Grimme made two saves in the shootout. Trapp is one of the nation's top 2011 prospects and was the only underclassmen named to the Ohio soccer coaches Division I All-State first team. Lincoln posted 19 shutouts in 23 matches.

3 Page 21-0-2 NR  
(Greensboro, NC)

**Season complete.** North Carolina Class 4A state champion. Led by North Carolina commits Rob Lovejoy and Glen Long, Page returned to elite status with a compelling postseason run to cap an undefeated season. After not playing a single Class 4A Top 10 team all season, Page shut out four of them in a row to claim the program's first state title since 1991. Lovejoy scored three goals and Long netted the other one in the team's 4-0 state final thrashing of former FAB 50-ranked Green Hope. Lovejoy finished the season with 26 goals as Page outscored its opponents 111-9. Keeper Tom Jackson finished with 14 shutouts.

4 Jesuit 27-1 3  
(Carmichael, CA)

**Season complete.** California Sac-Joaquin Section Division I champion. The Marauders rolled off 25 straight wins to end the season with a record eighth section title. In the final, Andrew Mills, A.J. Agha and Georgetown commit Gabe Padilla scored in a 3-0 victory over Golden Valley. Jake Feeney recorded his 22th shutout of the season to take over the national lead for fall keepers. Sacramento Jesuit had 22 shutouts in 28 matches.

- 5 Saint Xavier (Louisville, KY) 23-1-1 4 **Season complete.** Kentucky state champion. With a convincing state final victory Saturday, St. Xavier secured its position as the state's greatest soccer program. The Tigers captured a record third straight state title and with it a record 10th crown overall in a 4-1 victory over Greenwood. Tyler Riggs, paying tribute to his grandmother who died on that date a few years ago, scored two goals and was named tournament MVP. This group of seniors, which includes Kentucky-bound Riggs, Colgate commit Barrett Metzger, Yale commit Max McKiernan and Cameron Coppola, capped a three-year run where the squad went 70-2-3.
- 6 Saint Ignatius (Cleveland, OH) 22-1 5 **Season complete.** Ohio Division I state runner-up. St. Ignatius' 31-match win streak and 43-match undefeated run ended with a shootout loss to Gahanna Lincoln in the final. St. Ignatius' undefeated run is the second-longest in Ohio history. Senior midfielder Vaughn Spurrier was named the state's Player of the Year by the coaches, and senior defender Kayvon Afsarifard was a first-team all-state selection. Senior keeper Joe Kalt ended with an Ohio career state record 45 shutouts.
- 7 Newburgh Free Academy (Newburgh, NY) 19-1-2 15 **Season complete.** New York Class AA state champion. St. John's commit Alex Bramall assisted on the first goal and scored the match-winner as Newburgh Free Academy rallied with two goals in the final 17 minutes for a 2-1 victory over defending champion Brentwood in the state final. During the season, Newburgh tied eventual PSAL champ and FAB 50-ranked Martin Luther King, pinned the only loss on Arlington, beat FAB 50-ranked Shenendehowa and ended Brentwood's bid for a second straight state title. In the process, Newburgh became the first Section 9 team from Orange County to win a soccer state title.
- 8 Apple Valley (Apple Valley, MN) 24-0 9 **Season complete.** Minnesota Class AA state champion. Apple Valley secured its place among the all-time great teams from Minnesota with a 4-0 victory over Wayzata in the state final. Tom Obarski scored two goals and Kyle Steinberger added a goal and one assist as Apple Valley remained perfect in state final appearances, winning for the eighth time. The Eagles also became Minnesota's first undefeated, untied Class AA boys' soccer champion, and outscored its

opponents 128-7 on the season. Senior Bijan Jabari was named Class AA Mr. Soccer by the state coaches and teammates senior Dave Rosenthal (first team) and Stephen Johnson (honorable mention) were named to the all-state team. Chuck Scanlon, the only coach in Apple Valley's history, sports a state-record 518-87-49 career record.

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| 9  | Lyons Township<br>(La Grange, IL)        | 26-3   | 11 | <p><b>Season complete.</b> Illinois Class AAA state champion. After upsetting favored Neuqua Valley in the Supersectional, Lyons completed the playoff run with victories over New Trier (2-0, state semifinals) and Lake Zurich (2-1, state final) for the program's first state crown. In fact, Lyons was 0-6 in state playoff matches until this year. Billy McGuinness, a defender, scored the game-winning goal in the state final by redirecting a Zach Pearsall corner kick past the Lake Zurich keeper in overtime. Junior Horacio Sanchez scored Lyons' other goal. During the regular season, Lyons lost twice to Neuqua Valley. Lyons ended the season with a 16-match win streak. Considering Lyons' top two scorers, Sanchez and sophomore Elliot Borge, are underclassmen, the Lions could be a factor next year.</p> |
| 10 | Neuqua Valley<br>(Naperville, IL)        | 27-1-1 | 12 | <p><b>Season complete.</b> Illinois Supersectional finalist. Neuqua Valley's undefeated run and 24-match win streak ended with a 1-0 loss to Lyons. Earlier in the season Neuqua Valley defeated Lyons 4-0 and 2-1 in overtime. Neuqua Valley's lineup featured midfielder Bryan Ciesiulka (Marquette University), defender Keegan Balle (Bradley University), Jack Turancik and junior Pat Doody.</p>  |
| 11 | Martin Luther<br>King (Manhattan,<br>NY) | 17-1-1 | 14 | <p><b>Season complete.</b> New York PSAL champion. Once again, the Knights are King of the City. MLK defeated Francis Lewis 1-0 in the PSAL final for the Knights' fourth straight PSAL title and 12th in the past 14 years. Moriken Sangary, a sophomore, delivered MLK's winning goal while keeper Jean Carlo Perez posted his 10th shutout of the season. During regular-season play, MLK lost to Chaminade of the Catholic League and tied Newburgh Free Academy, which has qualified for the New York public school playoffs.</p>  |
| 12 | Father Judge<br>(Philadelphia,<br>PA)    | 21-2-2 | 10 | <p><b>Season complete.</b> Pennsylvania Class AAA state co-champion. Father Judge and Central Dauphin played to a scoreless draw in the PIAA state final. The result helps validate the Philadelphia Catholic League, which</p>   |

recently joined the PIAA. In only its second full season in the PIAA, Father Judge became the first Philadelphia city and Catholic school to claim a soccer state title. Father Judge knocked off FAB 50-ranked Unionville, 2-1, in the state semifinals and ousted defending champion Downingtown West in the state quarterfinals. Gavin Whalen scored the game-winner in overtime in the result against Unionville.

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| 13 | Seton Hall Preparatory School (West Orange, NJ) | 20-2-1 | 13 | <p><b>Season complete.</b> New Jersey Non-Public A state champion. Tim Mulrenan's goal late in the second half carried Seton Hall Prep to a 1-0 victory over Christian Brothers Academy for its second state title in three seasons. Sophomore keeper Casey DeFluri posted his 11th shutout of the season. The Pirates' postseason run included wins over FAB 50-ranked Don Bosco Prep and Bergen Catholic. During the season, longtime coach Marty Berman collected his 300th career victory. With a team dominated by underclassmen - only two seniors in the starting lineup, Seton Hall Prep figures to be a preseason Top 10 program next fall.</p> |
| 14 | C. B. C. (Saint Louis, MO)                      | 26-4-3 | 16 | <p><b>Season complete.</b> Missouri Class 3 state champion. Junior Jake Bond, a reserve, came off the bench to net the winning goal as CBC claimed its sixth state title under Terry Michler, the nation's all-time winningest coach. Drew Duncan, who has had a solid two-year run as CBC's keeper, recorded the shutout. CBC's 26 victories were the fifth-most in the country this fall. During the season, the team claimed a Gateway City Soccer Classic title, as well, defeating eventual Indiana state champion Zionsville. Senior standout Austin Tierney has committed to SIU-Edwardsville.</p>  |
| 15 | Princeton (Princeton, NJ)                       | 21-0-4 | NR | <p><b>Season complete.</b> New Jersey Group 3 state champion. Alan Bryant and Max Reid each scored as Princeton edged defending champion Millburn 2-1 in the state final. The result validates a major move in the rankings for Princeton, which beat Millburn by an identical score as St. Benedict's win over the perennial state power. Princeton was the only undefeated team in New Jersey this year. Keeper Steven Hellstern, who has committed to Penn, finished the season with a school-record 18 shutouts, which included five straight in the playoffs until the state final.</p>   |
| 16 | Zionsville Community (Zionsville, IN)           | 20-3-1 | 18 | <p><b>Season complete.</b> Indiana state champion. Zionsville entered the season with a new coach and high expectations, but a slow start and a key injury</p>   |

tempered those dreams. However, Zionsville delivered when it mattered, winning a state title after finishing as a state runner-up last season. Indiana commit Harrison Petts returned from an injury to score in a 1-0 state semifinal win over Lake Central and he converted a penalty kick to cap the 3-1 state final win over Homestead. Dylan Mares and Adam Ward also scored for Zionsville in the final. Zionsville's season included a third-place finish at the Gateway City Soccer Classic, losing only to Christian Brothers (Mo.). SMU commit A.J. Corrado finished the season with 24 goals and 25 assists. Mares added 24 goals and 12 assists. Petts, who was out for three weeks, had 17 goals and eight assists.