

2000 BOYS SOCCER STATE FINALS

October 28

Kuntz Stadium, Indianapolis

Semifinals

Castle 1, Portage 0.

North Central (Indianapolis) 2, Fort Wayne Canterbury 1.

Championship

Castle 1, North Central (Indianapolis) 0, shootout.

Castle wins first IHSAA

boys soccer state title

Castle captured its first IHSAA Boys Soccer state championship by outlasting three-time state champion North Central of Indianapolis 1-0 in a defensive battle that ended with the first overtime shootout in history.

After battling for 94 minutes in a scoreless dual, the sixth-ranked Knights prevailed by outkicking North Central 5-3 in the shootout. Castle (22-1-2) hit all five of its kicks, while North Central scored on three of its four kicks. Castle's goals came, in order, from Keith Godfrey, Zach Roesch, Blair Kohlmeyer, Justin King and Ty Walters. The final kick, by Walters, clinched the victory.

In a tight battle all the way, Castle had a 9-8 edge in shots on goal.

The victory for Castle came after the Knights finished as state runner-up to Penn in 1999. North Central (20-2-4), ranked fourth in the state coaches association poll, was making its first state finals appearance since 1996. The Panthers were the first IHSAA boys state champions in 1994, and repeated in 1995 and 1996.

Castle joins North Central (1994, 1995, 1996), Fort Wayne Canterbury (1997, 1998) and Penn (1999) as IHSAA boys soccer state champions.

Castle's Pat McBride named IHSAA Mental Attitude Award recipient

Pat McBride, a senior back at Castle, was named the 2000 recipient of the IHSAA C. Eugene Cato Mental Attitude Award in Boys Soccer.

He is a four-year participant in soccer, including three seasons on the varsity. McBride also ran cross country during the fall season as a freshman and sophomore. He was a semi-state participant as a sophomore in 1998. He

also has been a three-year participant in track, and ran on Castle's state finalist relay teams (1600, 3200) last spring.

Academically, McBride ranks in the top 10 percent of his class and is a member of the National Honor Society. He has been accepted in pre-engineering studies at Purdue University.

Farm Bureau Insurance, corporate partner of the IHSAA, presented a \$1,000 check to Castle High School in McBride's name.

Castle, North Central meet

in state championship game

Three-time state champion North Central and Castle advanced to the state championship game with semifinals victories.

North Central (20-1-4) scored two first-half goals and went on register a 2-1 victory over two-time state champion Fort Wayne Canterbury (20-3-1). Castle tallied the game's only goal midway through second half in a 1-0 triumph over first-time state finalist Portage (17-5-1).

Cemon Young scored for North Central just 4:42 into the game and Marcellus Tennyson followed at 21:25. Fort Wayne Canterbury's goal came 30:20 into the second half from Ochuko Metitiri. It was the first goal allowed by North Central in its seven tournament games.

For Castle, Ty Walters scored 14:22 into the second half to put the Knights in control.