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Monument Mountain Student Receives MIAA Student-Athlete of the Month Award

GREAT BARRINGTON – Mathieu Boudreau, a senior at Monument Mountain Regional High School has been selected by the Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA) as the "Student-Athlete of the Month" for November 2008.

A three-year varsity soccer player and senior captain on the Monument Mountain boys' soccer team, Matt was a first team All-Berkshire County selection this fall. In addition to being a leader on the soccer field, Matt also has an impressive resume of leadership in his school and community. He will be attending the Presidential Youth Inauguration Conference in January 2009 and also attended the National Young Leaders Conference in February 2008. Matt has been a part of the People to People Student Ambassador Program, spending time in England, Wales and Ireland, and is a part of the community service group, Pathways. Matt is also a member of the Monument Mountain track team. He is the first ever recipient of this award.

The MIAA launched the "Student-Athlete of the Month" award program as a method of recognizing and honoring students who set a positive example of leadership through academics and athletics in their communities. Through this program, school principals, athletic directors, wellness coordinators, coaches, teachers, guidance counselors, and student ambassadors may nominate individuals who excel in the classroom, during competition, and as good citizens in the community. One male and one female student-athlete from MIAA member schools are selected as recipients of this award each month. Each recipient is sent a congratulatory letter and certificate from the MIAA Student Services Staff. In addition, recipients are also noted for their achievement on the MIAA web site (<http://www.miaa.net/student-athlete-of-the-month.htm>) and in the "Building the Future" MIAA Student Services Newsletter.

For more information about the MIAA "Student-Athlete of the Month" Program, please contact Peter Smith at 508-541-7997.