

## Senator Helming Honors Wayne County Section Champion Sports Teams

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ONTARIO – Senator Pam Helming recently visited three Wayne County high schools to recognize student-athletes from sports teams that won section championships during the fall season. During each visit, she presented a New York State Senate Proclamation to the team and gave New York State Senate Citations to the players and coaches. The Palmyra-Macedon High School boys and girls varsity soccer teams each won their respective Section V championship – the first title in more than 20 years for the boys team and the second title in three seasons for the girls team. The Marion High School girls varsity soccer team

captured its Section V championship in a season that saw player Chloe DeLyser set the New York State record for goals in a season and became the state's top all-time goal scorer. The Wayne High School girls varsity volleyball team brought home its Section V championship after sweeping Honeoye Falls-Lima in three sets during the title game.

"Winning a section championship is about much more than just being able to kick a soccer ball and score or defend goals. It takes a group of people who are willing to work together as a team instead of play on their own as individuals. It takes a tremendous amount of diligence and persistence. It also takes a tremendous amount of commitment and determination, especially at the high school level, with homework, extracurricular activities, jobs, and other obligations along with practices and games. A championship is something that is truly earned by everyone on the team, not something handed to them. All of the players and coaches from the Red Raiders, Black Knights, and Eagles should be proud of their championships – every single one of them contributed to their team's title in some way. They also made their school proud, their community proud, and our entire region proud. It was a privilege to honor these outstanding student-athletes and coaches, and I wish them much success next season and beyond," Senator Helming said.