## Greetings,

This message is about the new uniforms.

WRT the new uniforms, HSSO's policy on wear is that ideally all uniforms for any given match will be the same color <u>and</u> style. However, it is very likely that an official will only have the new uniform. If that is the case, and that is the best color for the crew; then go for it. We would rather have the officials in a different color from the players than to worry about whether we match exactly.

Hopefully, you are aware that HSSO ran its first referee camp this summer. It was a success, and we plan to repeat it in 2017 – ideally in more than one location. We got good feedback from the officials who attended. Here is one example, "The three days refereeing games was a reminder for me that our role is not just to officiate the play of the high school games, but to do so while demonstrating a clear and confident model for students." Plan to attend a camp in 2017. It will help you improve your game.

Finally, you may want to take a few minutes to review this video from NFHS (<a href="http://www2.chsaa.org/sports/soccer/boys.asp">http://www2.chsaa.org/sports/soccer/boys.asp</a>).

Thanks for taking the time to read this message. And, please feel free to contact me (<u>william.gessner@hotmail.com</u>) if I put something in the message that you disagree with.

Have a great season!

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