

2026 Jack Grinold/Eastern Massachusetts Chapter of the National Football Foundation

New England Football Writers Weekly Gold Helmet Award Selection Information

The Jack Grinold/Eastern Massachusetts Chapter of the National Football Foundation will sponsor the weekly Gold Helmet Awards, which are presented to the Division I (FBS and FCS) and II/III football players who have established themselves for outstanding contributions to their teams on the given week. Roger Crosley will be coordinating the procedure. Any questions or concerns should be addressed to Roger (603-247-0471; newenglandfootballwriters@gmail.com).

As has been the case in the past, two awards will be presented each week—one each for university division (I-FBS/FCS) and for college division (II & III). The selection process will remain the same. SIDs with worthy candidates should contact the appropriate person no later than 11:00 a.m. on Sunday. The selector will then contact Roger on Sunday with his/her selections. Please give the selector all the information about the performance and the exact name you want on the plaque. Recipients' schools will be informed and the release will be posted on newenglandfootballwriters.com on Sunday afternoon.

The weekly Gold Helmet Awards will now be presented at the Annual NEFW Captains and Awards Banquet, scheduled for Thursday, December 10, 2026, at the Sheraton Framingham Hotel and Conference Center.

GOLD HELMET AWARD WEEKLY SELECTORS AND EMAIL ADDRESSES

August 27 - September 5 - Michael Vega, *Boston Globe* – Michael.vega@globe.com

September 11 & 12 - Scott Cordischi, *WEEI Providence* – scott_cordischi@brown.edu

September 18 & 19 - Brendan Kurie - b.burnettkurie@gmail.com

September 25 & 26 - Jim Seavey, Jack Grinold Chapter - Marquettewarriors86@gmail.com

October 3 - Jen Toland, *Worcester Telegram* — t.jennifer@comcast.net

October 10 - John Garner - jgarner154@gmail.com

October 17 - Paul Falewicz - coachfalewicz@gmail.com

October 23 & 24 - Craig Larson, *Boston Globe* — craig.larson@globe.com

October 30 & 31 -Howard Herman, *Berkshire Eagle Tribune* – hherman@berkshireeagle.com

November 4 & 7 - Larry Mahoney, *Bangor Daily News*— lmahoney@bangordailynews.com

November 11 & 14 - Matt Noonan - matthewjnoonan@gmail.com

November 18 & 21 - Roger Crosley, NEFW - newenglandfootballwriters@gmail.com

Additionally, this information is available each week on newenglandfootballwriters.com.

Best of luck this season!