

HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

Daily Memphian Postseason Soccer Awards: Houston Standout is Player of the Year

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Here are The Daily Memphian postseason girls soccer awards for 2023, featuring our player of the year, coaches of the year and all-metro teams.

The player of the year will receive an award sponsored by <u>Crown Trophy of Cordova</u> honoring her achievements.

For Houston girls soccer, depth breeds competition — and success

Honorees were selected based on regular-season and postseason performance, with added consideration given to the latter.

Player of the year

Ellett Smith, Houston, junior: An attacking player who is equal parts skill and tenacity, Smith recorded team-highs of 13 goals and 17 assists while leading the Mustangs to a 16-0-2 regular season record before being eliminated by three-time state champion Bearden in the Class AAA quarterfinals. Smith will play her collegiate soccer at Vanderbilt.

Division 1 All-Metro

Stormi Boles, Lakeland Prep, freshman; Ava Brennan, Lakeland Prep, sophomore; McKenzie Campbell, Collierville, senior; Abigail Carroll, Crosstown, junior; Christina Cook, Millington, senior; Scarlett Cowles, Houston,



Houston's Ellett Smith recorded team-highs of 13 goals and 17 assists while playing for the Mustangs her junior year. (John Varlas/The Daily Memphian file)

freshman; Stephanie Cifuentes, Arlington, junior; Anna Grace Ferrel, Arlington, senior;

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Mabry Klocke, Collierville, senior; Hallie McBride, Houston, sophomore; Laila McNamee, Houston, junior; Alice Moffatt, Collierville, senior; Kate O'Conner, Houston, senior; Hayley Patrick, Arlington, junior; Sophia Prater, Lakeland Prep, freshman; Lily Reafsnyder, Collierville, junior; Hilary Shikuku, Collierville, senior; Ellett Smith, Houston, junior; Lucy Smith, Houston, senior; Sydney Veatch, Houston, senior; Julie Wagner, Arlington, junior; Presley Williams, Collierville, junior; Lena Woodcock, Collierville, senior;

Bobby Ireland retiring from St. Agnes soccer

Division 2 all-metro

Michelle Betancourt, Harding, junior; Payton Biggs, Tipton-Rosemark, freshman; Allie Broadway, ECS, sophomore; Molly Browne, Hutchison, sophomore; Maddie Carter, Briarcrest, senior; Batie Casey, St. George's, senior; Emma Casey, St. Agnes, freshman; Mary Clark Consolo, St. George's, sophomore; Paige Corzine, Hutchison, senior; Riley Davis, ECS, junior; Julia Giolo, St. George's, senior; Haney Harris, Hutchison, sophomore; Ali Howard, Briarcrest, junior; Anna Laura Howard, ECS, senior.

Natalie Howard, Briarcrest, senior; Abby Lankford, Briarcrest, senior; Laurel Lund, St. Mary's, senior; Gracie Luther, St. Benedict, senior; Savannah Miller, St. Mary's, freshman; Hayden Moneymaker, Northpoint, sophomore; Anna Pieralisi, St. Agnes, senior; Wright Prather, Hutchison, sophomore; Eliza Saenger, St. George's, sophomore; Ro Richardson, ECS, senior; Ella Rump, St. Agnes, senior; Bronwynn Saatkamp, St. Mary's, senior; Lia Salazar, ECS, senior: Lia Sanvee, ECS, sophomore; Riley Stooksbury, St. George's, sophomore; Elle Weathersby, St. George's, freshman; Carson Wells, Briarcrest, junior.



ECS coach Jordan Thompson takes The Daily Memphian's 2023 soccer Coach of the Year honors. (Courtesy ECS)

Coach of the year

Jordan Thompson, **ECS**: Thompson guided his Eagles to their second state championship and first in seven years. ECS lost its first two matches of the season but closed with 18 victories in a row, including a 2-0 win over region rival St. George's in the Division 2-A final in Chattanooga.