

Dear Coach Peter,

Several years ago I read that diversity and soccer had arrived in Pelican Rapids. I became aware at the time of a pairing with Hillcrest Lutheran Academy. And this year, according to the MSHSL website, the Vikings have gone solo! Congratulations!! It is noteworthy on several levels, but primarily because the kids now have their own team.

I had the privilege of attending the game in Big Lake. Even though the Hornets were big and physical, your guys were still playing to the very end. Given all that you endured to your team in that match, it was incredible to watch your young men continue to fight, even scoring a goal as time expired. I hope the young man who was taken by ambulance is on the road to recovery.

The attitude of your team on the field was impressive and the boys and girls on the JV were a joy to watch on the sidelines as they supported their team. Your team is an example of what the American dream is and what today's American kids look like.

Enclosed is a contribution to your program as I'm sure you have many needs.

Congratulations on your new program. You are definitely moving in the right direction!

Sincerely,

Al Kvaal