

Sports can be key factor in choosing a high school

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St Louis offers many possibilities when it comes time to choose a high school. There are private, public, co-ed, Christian, large schools and small schools. Each school offers something that is different than the next.

It is not an easy decision to make when trying to choose the one that is right for you, and it can become very overwhelming. There are so many things that need to be considered. Will I like the type of schedule offered? Will I be comfortable in a co-ed environment? Is this the right size school for me? Will I be able to do the things I want to do? And, yes, even, do I think I will make a sports team?

Soccer, just like many other sports, is more and more competitive at the high school level. So many people play select soccer now. Playing select helps you gain the skills you need to compete on a high school field. There are more people to compete against when trying to make a team in high school.

I knew I wanted to play high school soccer though. So, even though sports are not the only reason to choose a school, it did play a big part in my decision.

Trinity Catholic High School is considered to be a "small school" with an enrollment of around 400 students. So, the number of athletes I had to compete against was smaller.

In a smaller school like Trinity, if you have the skill, determination, heart and competitiveness, you will most likely make a team. This was proven to me when I made Varsity soccer my freshman year.

The advantage of making these varsity teams is the coaching you receive. At Trinity we have some of the best coaches. The coaches really work with you personally and push you to be

the best athlete you can be. They also help you with your future in sports if you want to continue to play in college.

Trinity is backed by solid statistics sports-wise and continues to grow and continue our legacy to this day. We have continued our legacy in the State tournament for girl's soccer by finishing second in state for both the 2008 and 2009 season.

At Trinity we take this recognition as a team with both honor and Titan pride. Year after year we keep going at it, always striving to be the best team we can be and always striving for the top spot. We are determined to win a state title.

This determination is something that takes dedication and heart. Trinity soccer has taught me good values and skills to take with me on the road ahead of me in my soccer career.

While athletics was not my sole reason in choosing Trinity, it definitely played a huge part in my decision. I knew I wanted to play high school sports, and I knew at Trinity, I could. Trinity has made such a big impact on my life not only athletically, but also socially, academically and spiritually as well.