THOMAS NELSON HIGH SCHOOL

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Lady Generals Soccer Community Members,

I am excited to begin the 2015 season with big goals for player and program development. In an effort to clearly define our purpose and proactively plan for the future, our Lady Generals Soccer program will be developing two new LEADERship teams that will work collaboratively to pursue big goals. These teams, which will consist of one student led team and one parent led team, will collaborate with our coaching staff with the ultimate goal of developing a world class soccer program that will endure for years to come.

If you simply include players, parents, and coaches, we have approximately 130 people directly involved in the participation and support of our Lady Generals Soccer program. Naturally, each of us possess different beliefs and aspirations for what this program should accomplish and represent. Many of these beliefs are similar from person to person, enough so that we are operating in the same book, but different enough that each of us may not be working on the same page. A shared, common vision is the first step towards getting everyone on the same page. As parents and players you bring a unique and important perspective to the table. Alone we are smart, together we are brilliant!

The student led team, The Legacy Core, will be comprised of Lady General soccer players working to develop a shared vision for our program. The committee will consist of a minimum of 2-3 players from each grade level, and will meet with myself on a weekly to bi-weekly basis to begin discussing and developing our vision over the coming months. I will send additional information home with your daughter within the next few days detailing the specifics of the Legacy Core, including how they can apply for this important planning team.

Similarly, we are creating a Booster Club Executive Team. This team will be responsible for contributing in a variety of ways throughout the course of the season. First, they will serve as the leaders on the board of our booster club (please see the next page for a description of these positions, and how the election process will take place). Second, they will collaborate with myself to develop a booster club vision that will detail a plan for how we will provide world class, collegiate-like resources for our program.

The motto of these visionary teams will be to “think anew.” Imagine a program that does not exist to simply win district, region, or state titles, but instead exists to enhance the lives of its participants. Imagine a program that will foster the personal growth necessary for our Generals to fulfill their future story. Imagine a program that inspires our Generals to believe in themselves so that they can in turn go out and change the world. My desire is to make these visions a reality, and I need your help.

Sincerely,

Alex Martin

“*Vision without action is merely a dream. Action without vision just passes the time. Vision with action can change the world*.” - *Joel Barker*