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Plattsburgh Secures Top Seed In SUNYAC Men's Soccer Tournament

Cardinals and Golden Eagles earn first round byes

FREDONIA, N.Y. – The State University of New York Athletic Conference (SUNYAC) Men's Soccer Tournament is set to kick off on Tuesday, November 1st. Cortland will travel to Geneseo while Fredonia will host Oswego in the opening round. Both games are set to begin at 1:00 p.m. The winners will advance to the National Soccer Hall of Fame Fields in Oneonta, NY for the semifinals and finals on Friday and Saturday, November 4th and 5th. Plattsburgh and Brockport, the top two seeds in the tournament, have earned byes into the semis.

The Plattsburgh State Cardinals earned the top seed with an 8-1 conference record, their only loss coming against Brockport. The Cardinals secured first place in the conference with a 4-0 win over Potsdam last Wednesday. Plattsburgh will oppose the winner of Tuesday's play-in between Cortland and Geneseo in the semifinals November 4th at 1:30 p.m. Geneseo earned the fourth seed with a 5-1-3 record while Cortland's record of 5-4 secured them the fifth seed. The only meeting between Geneseo and Cortland in the regular season was settled in overtime with the Blue Knights emerging with 2-1 victory.

Brockport is the second seed in this year's tournament after finishing the regular season 7-2. The Golden Eagle's two losses came against Fredonia (2-0) and Geneseo (1-0). Brockport leads the league in goals per game (2.89). The Golden Eagle's will face the winner of Tuesday's play-in between Fredonia and Oswego also on November 4th at 1:30 p.m. in Oneonta. Fredonia, the third seed, ended SUNYAC play with a 6-2-1 record. In the only meeting between the Blue Devils and Lakers on October 1st, Fredonia used two goals in the first half to secure a 2-0 win. The Blue Devils lead the league in goals against average (0.43) and shutouts against league opposition this season this season (7).

The championship game between the semifinal winners will be played at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, November 5th.

2005 Final SUNYAC Standings

	W	L	T	PTS	Win %	GP	GF	GA
1 <u>Plattsburgh</u>	8	1	0	24	.889	9	23	5
2 <u>Brockport</u>	7	2	0	21	.778	9	26	7
3 <u>Fredonia</u>	6	2	1	19	.722	9	14	4
4 <u>Geneseo</u>	5	1	3	18	.722	9	12	8
5 <u>Cortland</u>	5	4	0	15	.556	9	13	9
6 <u>Oswego</u>	3	5	1	10	.389	9	13	19
7 <u>Buffalo State</u>	2	4	3	9	.389	9	12	19
8 <u>Potsdam</u>	1	5	3	6	.278	9	6	15
9 <u>SUNYIT</u>	1	7	1	4	.167	9	6	25
10 <u>New Paltz</u>	1	8	0	3	.111	9	5	19