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Soccer stand earns applause

Editor, The News:

There might just be hope for this country yet.

I'd like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the Laurel School Board for standing up for America and American values.

Its willingness to resist the infiltration of soccer into its sports program, that currently consists of real sports, is an admirable and a difficult stance to take.

Soccer's slow strangulation of real sports, such as football, needed to be stopped. High school football programs around the country have nearly succumbed to the foreign-sports terrorism known as soccer.

On a Friday night (a high school football night) in the suburbs of Pittsburgh, I witnessed parents allowing their children to play this anti-American sport instead of exposing them to the ritual that is high school football in western Pennsylvania.

Many high school football programs are barely able to exist because young people today want to take the easy road and play the no-skill, no-work game of soccer instead of being dedicated to lifting weights and working hard in the off-season to gain the rewards of football.

Young minds and bodies are being wasted by continuing the slide into the soccer abyss. Just look at the recent and past U.S. failings in the World Cup as evidence that soccer is time and effort wasted.

All real Americans need to seize this opportunity to squash this game and save real sports while there is still time.

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