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May 26, 2025 League Statement on Bancroft T-Hawks Disqualification

The Quinte Skyhawks Minor Football League (QSMFL) is committed first and foremost to the safety, well-being, and positive development of all players in our league. After careful consideration, the league has made the difficult decision to disqualify the Bancroft T-Hawks for the remainder of the 2025 season.

This action comes after ongoing concerns related to player safety and conduct that could not be resolved through previous warnings or interventions. We want to be clear: - Player safety is non-negotiable. - All teams, coaches, and spectators are expected to uphold the highest standards of sportsmanship, respect, and fair play. - This decision was made to protect the integrity of the game and ensure a safe environment for every child, on every team.

While we understand the disappointment this brings to the affected players and families, the league's duty is to the long-term health and safety of the entire football community. The T-Hawks program will have the opportunity to apply for reinstatement after demonstrating meaningful steps toward alignment with league values and safety standards.

We thank all teams, coaches, volunteers, and sponsors for their continued support of youth football in our region.

Questions may be directed to:

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