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## ESPNBoston.com's boys soccer Top 20

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Below is our high school boys soccer preseason Top 20, as selected by our panel of staff writers and correspondents.

Team Name	2009 Record	Notes
<b>1. Catholic Memorial</b>	(18-3-3)	For a repeat performance coming of the Knights' first boys' soccer state title, they'll have to replace William Donovan's presence up top.
<b>2. Ludlow</b>	(18-1-3)	After being tripped up by Catholic Memorial in the Division I state championship game, expect the perennial Western Mass powers to make another late season push.
<b>3. Lexington</b>	(19-1-3)	Senior defender Thomas Ballenthin (11 goals, 11 assists in 2009) is the key the Minutemen's defensive and offensive sets.
<b>4. Algonquin</b>	(18-2-2)	Max Eidelman is charged with the scoring responsibilities and Jose Silva is steady in net for the reigning Division I Central champs.
<b>5. Concord-Carlisle</b>	(17-3-3)	The Patriots look to make it two in-a-row and three of the last four in Division II.
<b>6. Brockton</b>	(16-4-2)	Can the Boxers replace Admilson Timas' presence?
<b>7. New Bedford</b>	(17-1-1)	The Whalers only lost one match last year (Brockton, in the South quarterfinals) and will look to reclaim dominance in the Big Three.
<b>8. Framingham</b>	(16-2-3)	Although they are the favorites in Bay State Carey, the Flyers will have to find a substitute for Gustavo Santos' golden boot.
<b>9. Lincoln-Sudbury</b>	(15-3-3)	What can be said about All-American Cole DeNormandie that hasn't already been said? His 22-goal clip in 2009 could be surpassed in his senior season.
<b>10. Weston</b>	(15-2-6)	Renato Capobianco's club was the feel-good story of 2009. Can the Wildcats translate that into Division III success again in '10?
<b>11. Sandwich</b>	(13-5-3)	The Blue Knights enter 2010 looking for their fifth straight Atlantic Coast League title.
<b>12. Cardinal Spellman</b>	(24-1-0)	The Cardinals had more wins than any other team in the state last year, but couldn't get past Weston in the state Division II semifinals.

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13. Somerville	(13-4-3)	The last time we saw the Highlanders they came up just short of the Division I North finals, losing an OT thriller to L-S.
14. Wilmington	(18-1-3)	The Wildcats were upset in the Division II North final last year, but will be back for more.
15. King Philip	(13-5-3)	The Warriors can still make waves in the Hockomock, even without last year's league MVP Matt Heagney.
16. North Andover	(17-2-2)	Keep it in the family: The Knights will keep running with Gareth Dudney's little brother, Evan, and Ross Marchand's younger sibling, Jay.
17. Danvers	(15-3-3)	It's going to be tough for the Falcons to replace Chris Ciampa's 33 goals from last season, but they're our favorites in the Northeastern Conference South.
18. Hopkinton	(13-5-2)	The Hillers will be top of the heap in the Tri-Valley League once again.
19. Canton	(14-2-4)	The Bulldogs will again be in the mix atop the standings in the Hockomock League.
20. Duxbury	(14-2-5)	Life without Dan Sangster and Tom Drummy will be tough, but the Dragons are always up for a challenge.

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