Southland College Prep's Perry Sibby Places 4th in IHSA Individual Boys Bowling Final

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O'FALLON, IL.—February 1, 2014—Southland College Prep Charter High School's Perry Sibby, a senior, took 4th place in the Individual section of the <u>Illinois High School</u>
<u>Association</u> (IHSA) Boys Bowling finals at the St. Clair Bowl today.

After a first round finish in 8th place among the top 133 high school bowlers, "Perry threw some very steady games today against tough competition to finish 4th in the IHSA finals with an average of 231.9," said his coach, Brian Wales.

In the final rounds today, Sibby threw a 699 for the first three games and a 680 for the final three games.

In 2012, as a sophomore, Perry competed as an individual in the IHSA State tournament, placing 29th, averaging 209.2 pins per game, very close to the winner who averaged 212.

"Over the past three seasons, Perry has had less than one open frame per game. He's worked very hard on his game, concentrating on finding a better ball and focusing on his technique before the throw, and after. He began this season throwing a 290 game in our very first meet, just one pin shy of rolling his 8th lifetime 300 game," said Wales.

Perry's focus this season has been exceptional and his technique tight and accurate. It paid off with this fine performance at State, said Wales.

"Perry has been a true leader and given the Southland Eagles the wings to fly. He pointed us in the right direction for our program.

"I've had the privilege of coaching seven Division 1 athletes in 14 years of coaching high school athletics. Perry Sibby is unlike any other athlete I've coached," said Wales.

"Perry is bowling and bowling is Perry. The two words will forever be linked in my mind and in our program. As a new school with a new program, we struggled to get matches and to enter tournaments, but Perry made our team attractive to schools all over Illinois.

PERRY SIBBY SOUTHLAND COLLEGE PREP CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL CAREER STATS:

2011-2014

117 Games - 25,465 pins

217.65 Average

81 of 117 games over 200

1413 High Series at Brother Rice Tournament (12/27/12)

290 High Game vs. Chicago Ag. School (11/19/13)

829 Career Strikes (52% Strike Percentage)

Less than 1 open frame per game

Sophomore Year Stats:

2011-2012

Finished 29th in State out of 150 top bowlers (209 average)

38 Games - 8252 pins

High Game − 267 at Sectionals

291 Strikes (50% Strike Percentage)

Less than 2 open frames per game

217.2 Season Average

Junior Year Stats:

2012-2013

40 Games – 8499 pins

High Game - 278 (twice)

High Series – 717 (3 games) vs. Chicago Ag. School (11/30/12)

High Series – 1413 (6 games) at Brother Rice Tournament (12/27/12)

229 Strikes (47.7% Strike Percentage)

Less than 1 open frame per game

27 of 40 Games over 200

212.48 Season Average

Senior Year Stats:

2013-2014

State Qualifier (yet to see how he places)

39 Games – 8714 pins

High Game – 290 vs. Chicago Ag. School (11/19/13)

High Series – 1324 at Sectionals (6 games)

Less than 1 open frame per game

31 of 39 Games over 200

271 Strikes (57.9% Strike Percentage)

Placed 1st in High Series in 2 of 4 of our 6-game tournaments

223.44 Season Average