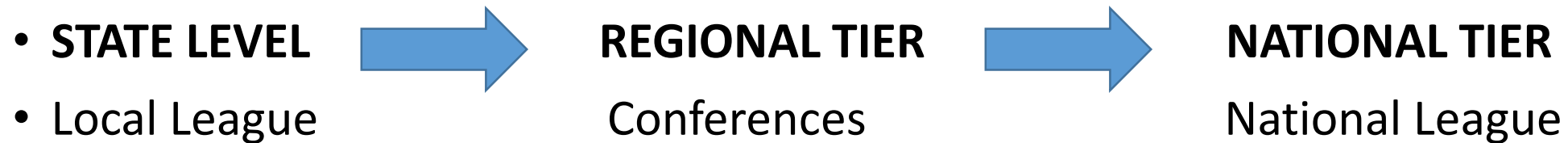




PARTICIPATING IN CONFERENCE PLAY

- Teams can earn their way into a Conference based on success in competitive league and cup competitions within each US Youth Soccer State Association – ensuring the top teams from each state have access to US Youth Soccer Conferences competition.
- If teams do qualify through performance in State Association competitions, teams can apply for consideration based on their existing resume.



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ADVANCEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- The image to the right provides a visual guide to the pathway and opportunities available for league teams at the state, regional, and national levels.



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NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

- **STATE CUPS**

Teams must compete in their respective State Cup (NCS) to remain eligible for the National League and the National Championships.

- **REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

State Cup Champions, State Cup Wild Cards, top finishers in the National Conferences (13u – 19u), and the winner of the League Championships earn qualification into the Regional Championships.

- **NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

The regional champion along with each of the four National League Division winners (14u – 19u) automatically qualify for the National Championship.

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LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP

Creating additional pathways while strengthening relationships and
maintaining existing structural integrity

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Mission, Vision and Priorities

- **Mission**
 - Make soccer the best (preeminent) youth sport in the United States
- **Vision**
 - Continue being the recognized leader in youth soccer and serve as the game for all kids.
- **Priorities**
 - Membership, Players, Marketing and Programs

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Quick Overview

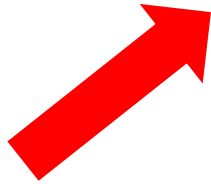
- The League Championship (LC):
 - Create an additional pathway for teams
 - Strengthen relationships with member leagues of USYS
 - Preserve the structure and status of National League and the NL Conferences
 - Maintain the integrity of State Cup competitions
 - Retain current members of USYS
 - Attract leagues and clubs back to USYS
 - Exemplify the new and improved USYS (progressive, innovative)
 - Produce a net income contribution for USYS

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League Championship (LC)



**Club
Champions
League**

**National
Capital
Soccer
League**

**Long Island
Junior
Soccer
League**

**CCL New
England**

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East Region Continued

- Top division from each of these four leagues participate
- Top finishing team within each applicable age/gender group:
 - Play off against the other three participating leagues
 - Single elimination
- Winning team of play off earns placement into Eastern Regional Championships

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Pathways: Regional Championships

USYS Regional Championships

National League Conferences

State Cup

League Championship (LC)

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