



# 2024 US Youth Soccer Southern Regionals Tournament

# **General Information**

March 7, 2024

#### 2024 Teams in the competition:

- State Champions from: AL, AR, FL, GA, LA, MS, NC, NTX, OK, SC, STX, TN
- State Champion that is also a NL-Conference qualifier will represent the NL-C and the state will select the State Cup Finalist or a Representative for the State Champion slot
- NL-Conference Qualifiers

#### **Breakdown of teams:** (subject to change)

- Boys & girls age groups: 13U 17U & 19U = 18 teams per age group
- Boys age group: 18U = 16 teams per age group
- Girls' age group: 18U = 12 teams (no quarter finals)
- Maximum number of teams: 244
  Max # of boys' teams: 124
  Max # of girls' teams: 120

### 2024 Tournament location – three (3) sites

Host State: Florida Youth Soccer Association (FYSA)

- Tampa Sportsplex: 9330 E. Columbus Dr., Tampa, FL. 33619
  - o 15 lighted grass fields all 110 X 70
  - o 45 min (42.9 mi) to Lake Myrtle
- Lake Myrtle Sports Park, 2701 Lake Myrtle Park Rd. Auburndale, FL 33823
  - o 11 lighted grass fields all 110 X 70
- McGee Park, 2399 Edgewood Dr. S, Lakeland, FL 33803
  - 6 grass fields all 110 X 70
  - o About 20 min (12.7 mi) to Lake Myrtle
  - o 36 min (32.3 mi) to Tampa Sportsplex

## **2024 Tournament Dates/Schedule**

•	June 20 (Thurs)	State Check-In: 2:00 - 5:00 pm
•	June 21 - 23 (Fri-Sun)	Group Play
•	June 24 (Mon)	Day of Rest for all age groups
•	June 25 (Tues)	. Quarterfinals (semifinals for 18U girls)
•	June 26 (Wed)	. Semi-finals (finals for 18U girls)
•	June 27 (Thurs)	Finals





#### **Tournament Game Schedules**

- Age Group Schedules May 1<sup>st</sup>
- Game Schedule with teams, three (3) days after the completion of the last State Cup competition (around June 10<sup>th</sup>)
- State Reps will be notified as soon as schedules are posted
- Age groups with 12 will have 3 groups of 4 for pool play with the bracket winner and overall 2<sup>nd</sup> place team on points advancing to the semifinals.
- Age groups with 16 teams will have 4 groups of 4 for pool play
- Age groups with 18 teams will have 6 brackets of 3 for pool play:
  - o group A plays group B, group C plays group D, and group E plays group F
- Age groups with 16 & 18 teams will have quarterfinals

# **2024 Tournament Specifics**

- Stay-to-play event
- Hotels already held contact your State Rep for details list provided at the end of this document
- Total # fields available: 32 grass fields
- Monday will be a rest day for all
- Boys at Lake Myrtle & McGee Parks for entire tournament
- Girls at Tampa Sportsplex for entire tournament
- Housing Group: THS (Tournament Housing Services)
- Goal: play slots: 7:15 am, 9:15 am, 11:15 am with 1:00/1:15 pm as the latest start
- Goal: all play finishes by 2:45 pm for group play
- Goal: all play finishes by 12:00 pm for knockout rounds
- Early game times are to avoid the heat of the mid-day and pop-up showers, specifically lightning

#### **Role of the Southern Regional State Rep**

- Critical link & resource for teams
- Communicate both with teams & tournament committee
- Validate & confirm eligibility using the NCS Policy & Tournament rules
- Hotels
- Tournament Registration
- Support teams throughout the competition

## **Southern Regional Website**

- https://www.usyouthsoccer.org/south/southern-regional-championships/
- Information source for your teams

# Congratulations on qualifying for the 2024 US Youth Soccer Southern Regionals.

The 2024 US Youth Soccer Southern Regionals is a stay to play event. Each state has a block of rooms already reserved. Your State Representative will be able to provide information and a link (when reservations open) for you to book your team.

Additionally, your State Representative should be your first contact for all information related to the event

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<sup>\*</sup>Contact for NL questions related to the event however, for hotel information please contact your State Representative.