



NORTH CAROLINA YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION

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TO: Coach, Athletic Director and/or Compliance Officer

FROM: North Carolina Youth Soccer Association

RE: Outside Competition

The North Carolina Youth Soccer Association is very excited to have a large number of student-athletes playing soccer from around the country. Many of these players have been a part of youth teams that were State Champions, Regional Champions and/or National Champions. Some of these players have expressed a desire to continue to play within our Association.

In 1996, we offered the first modified playing season for 19-Under age divisions. These competitions produced winners that represented North Carolina in the USYSA Southern Regionals. NCYSA will offer a 19-Under State Cup competition (born January 1, 2001 - December 31, 2001). 18-Under boys (born January 1, 2002 – December 31, 2003) will play a full spring season and a full State Cup schedule.

It is our concern for the NCAA rules that again, prompt this letter. In our awareness of the NCAA rules relating to Outside Competition and how this could impact our student-athlete's eligibility, we are requesting that each collegiate player have the enclosed Eligibility Form completed and signed by the authorized official from their institution.

It is our hope that by requiring this form, we will protect both our players and your institution. This will also require communication with you by the athlete.

The 2020 dates of play:

State Championship	April 25-26 – May 16-18, 2020
Regional Competition	June 9-14; June 19-25, 2020
National Competition	July 8-12; July 20-26, 2020

If you are a Division I school and the last date of exams are after these dates, please explain to your student-athlete that he/she cannot play until the date of your institutions last exam. **NOTE: If there is only one team entered into our 19U Cup, then they will have NO games scheduled until June 9, at the earliest.**

Note: the dates listed above are the earliest 18U and 19U would be playing. The Regional and National Competition dates are for the USYS Presidents Cup (first date) and USYS National Championships (second date).

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact NCYSA Registration. Thanking you in advance for helping us protect our student-athletes.