



NJ YOUTH SOCCER STATE CUPS 2020-2021 FLIGHTING GUIDELINES

League/Flight	Tournament
USYS National League Conferences managed by EDP Soccer (Premier 1 & 2)	National Championship Series (NCS)
EDP Premier 1 & 2	National Championship Series (NCS)
EDP Premier 3, 4 & 5	Presidents Cup
CJYSA-EDP Championships 1-6	Challenge Cup
MCYSA	Challenge Cup
MNJYSA	Challenge Cup
MOSA	Challenge Cup
Metro	Challenge Cup

Teams may opt to compete in higher competition. Teams may only compete in a lower competition after submitting an appeal **and receiving approval from NJ Youth Soccer. Appeals may be submitted through the NJYS website.*

Please note the following US Youth Soccer rule:

11.05 National Cup Competitions Requirement: Any team making application to a Conference must, subject to the provision herein, have competed in one of US Youth Soccer's National Cup competitions, beginning at the state level in either the State Cup or State Presidents Cup, during the past seasonal year and must also participate in a US Youth Soccer National Cup competition, beginning at the state level in either the State Cup or State Presidents Cup, during the current seasonal year. Currently, the National Cup Competitions include the National Championship Series and the National Presidents Cup.

About the NJ Youth Soccer State Cups



The National Championship Series is the country's most prestigious national youth soccer tournament, providing winners from each state the opportunity to showcase their soccer skills against the best competition in the nation while emphasizing teamwork, discipline, and fair play. The winner of the NJYS State Cup U12 teams and above will advance to the 2021 US Youth Soccer Eastern Regional Championships hosted in Hammonton, NJ.



The US Youth Soccer Presidents Cup Presented by Chipotle provides a progressive, competitive experience to teams that might not otherwise get the opportunity to participate in a series of unique experiences highlighting competition, camaraderie and community from the state to regional to national levels of US Youth Soccer. The winner of the NJYS Presidents Cup NJYS State Cup U12 teams and above will advance to the 2021 US Youth Soccer East Region Presidents Cup hosted in Barboursville and Charleston, WV from June 19, 2021 to June 23, 2021.



The Challenge Cup (previously branded as the Commissioners Cup) is the NJYS Cup that attracts the most teams and provides a third-tier state competition. This tournament hosts travel teams in the U11 to U19 age groups. This state-only tournament is designed to create a challenging and enjoyable event for teams that do not play in the National Championship Series or Presidents Cup.