

As SDYSA continues to grow, our ability to stay progressive and adapt to this growth means we must take steps to create events that meet the needs of our members. We are excited to share with you that in 2024, the SDYSA State Championships will be held in Sioux Falls, SD at Sanford Crossing May 3rd-5th. We know this venue will create an atmosphere and environment where competition in youth soccer will thrive! We are thrilled to be able to host SDYSA's coveted State Championships here and look forward to you joining us.

As we begin planning for this event there are a few steps that need to take place in the coming weeks surrounding both NCS State Cup and State Presidents Cup.

1. Any member clubs of SDYSA interested in participating in the SDYSA State Presidents Cup or National Championship Series State Cup events must complete a commitment form, due November 15th, 2023. Simply complete the excel form included and submit back to Dale Weiler and Polly Dean via email, td@southdakotasoccer.com and director@southdakotasoccer.com. We collect this information from clubs now as we have a deadline to submit what age groups and genders will be representing South Dakota at the Regional Competitions.
2. Once SDYSA collects the commitment forms, our event committee, along with a club representative from each club that submitted the commitment form will review and work together to create the structure of the event.
 - a. The purpose of the committee and representatives of each club meeting is to review what each club/team intends to participate in and how we can shape the competition to create a meaningful and competitively appropriate experience for players and teams here in South Dakota.
 - b. For example: We understand some clubs and their teams would like to have specific teams participate in Presidents Cup and others in the National Championship Series. In some cases, two teams in one age group and gender, with one participating in Presidents Cup and the other in the National Championship Series.

In order for us to meet the needs of each team we believe having more representation in making these decisions for the structure of the event will support our ability to provide more teams the opportunities they all deserve to participate in a challenging and competitive state championship event.

***It is critical that this commitment form that you submit cements your intent to participate in either the National Championship Series State Cup or the State Presidents Cup competition based on what you indicate on the form. There are specific fines laid out in our State Championship Policy Book for teams that do not uphold their participation commitments in the event(s).**

You are encouraged to review the Regional Competitions websites to learn more information and details on each event. 2024 is a very special year for South Dakota as Sioux Falls was awarded to host the Midwest Presidents Cup on June 14-18!

Midwest Presidents Cup

<https://www.usyouthsoccer.org/midwest/presidents-cup/>

Midwest Regional Championships

<https://www.usyouthsoccer.org/midwest/midwest-regional-championships/>

- **Registration and Fees:**

- SDYSA NCS State Cup and SDYSA State Presidents Cup Registration Fee:
\$550/team

For questions, please reach out to Dale Weiler or Polly Dean.