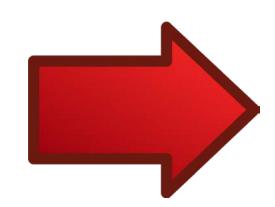


Program & Event Changes

Age Group Change Starts August 1, 2016

Players Born:

- 2005
- 2004
- 2003
- 2002
- 2001
- 2000
- 1999
- 1997/98*



2016-17 Season

- U12
- U13
- U14
- U15
- U16
- U17
- U18
- U19/20

*Per US Youth Soccer Players Born August 1, 1997 – December 31, 1998

Illinois Youth Soccer will reference age groups by birth year for all of IYSA events to help alleviate confusion i.e 2004 (13U) State Cup 13 and Under

Midwest Regional League



The youngest age group for MRL for 2016-2017 season will be 2003 (14U).

2004 (13U) IL MRL Qualifying Division

- Year-long competition to determine which teams earn spot for MRL in Fall 2017 (2017-2018 season)
- Provide meaningful matches for teams in the 2004 age division and help teams prepare for MRL
- Teams MUST play in BOTH Fall and Spring to be considered for top spots in MRL
- Fall season will determine Spring 2017 State Cup seeding for 2004 (13 U) age.
- Teams earn GotSoccer points
- Top teams will earn spots in State Premiership for Fall 2017 (2017-2018 season) at 14U

2004 (13U) IL MRL Qualifying Division

REGISTRATION

- Open to any team in state registered with an Illinois Youth Soccer League
- Teams register with member Illinois Youth Soccer league and pay league determined registration fee and follow their rules.
- Teams also must register for competition thru Illinois Youth Soccer in GotSoccer.

2004 (13U) MRL Qualifying Division

<u>COST</u>

- Member Illinois Youth Soccer competitive league registration fee
- \$400 fee to IYSA for Qualifying Division
- \$80 per game per team for refs

2004 (13U) MRL Qualifying Division

<u>SCHEDULE</u>

- 7-8 games per season (Fall & Spring)
- 14-16 total matches
- Teams will be required to travel to home field of opponent including long distance games i.e Chicago to Southern Illinois
- Clubs could host weekend of games like in MRL, if group agrees. Group will organize.



Fall 2016 Divisions

<u>Boys – 2 Tiers</u>

- 2005 (12U) 9v9
- 2003 (14U)

<u>Girls</u>

- 2003 (14U)
- 2002 (15U)
- 2001 (16U)
- 2000 (17U)
- 1999/98 (18U/19U)

Spring 2017 Divisions

- <u>Boys 2 Tiers</u>
- 2005 (12U) 9v9
- 2003 (14U)
- 2002 (15U)
- 2001 (16U)
- 2000 (17U)
- 1999/98 (18U/19U)

<u>Girls</u>

• 2003 (14U)

<u>GIRLS</u>

- 8 team division / 7 games
- Champion, Finalist earn
 State Cup #8 and #7 Seed
- Top 4 teams retain spot
- IWSL A Division Champion earns spot

BOYS

- 2 Tiers State Premiership Elite & State Premiership Division
- 7-10 teams per division. 7-9 games per season
- Top 6 teams retain spot in Elite
- Top 2 teams from State Premiership Tier 2 earn promotion to Elite
- Elite champion, finalist earn
 - #8 and #7 seed in State Cup
- YSSL Division 1 Champion earns spot in Tier 2

Changes

- Increase game day roster to 22 players
 (from 18)
- Boys 2nd Tier Champions earn
 - Presidents Cup seeded position
- Center ref fees increased to \$30 per team (BOYS ONLY)



IYSA State Cup & Presidents Cup

NCS IYSA State Cup

Fall

- 2002 Girls (15U)
- 2001 Girls (16U)
- 2000 Girls (17U)
- 1999 Girls (18U)

<u>Spring</u>

- 2005 Boys & Girls (12U) 9v9
- 2004 Boys & Girls (13U)
- 2003 Boys & Girls (14U)
- 2002 Boys (15U)
- 2001 Boys (16U)
- 2000 Boys (17U)
- 1999 Boys (18U)
- 1998/97 Boys & Girls (19U/20U)

Presidents Cup

Fall

- 2002 Girls (15U)
- 2001 Girls (16U)
- 2000 Girls (17U)

<u>Spring</u>

- 2004 Boys & Girls (13U)
- 2003 Boys & Girls (14U)
- 2002 Boys (15U)
- 2001 Boys (16U)
- 2000 Boys (17U)
- 1999 Boys (18U) STATE ONLY EVENT
- 1998 Boys (19U) STATE ONLY EVENT if enough teams

New Illinois Cup

Fall

- 1999 Girls (18U) STATE ONLY EVENT
- 1998 Girls (19U) STATE ONLY EVENT* *Does Not Impact Player Participation in State Cup in Spring 2017

<u>Spring</u>

- 1999 Boys (18U) STATE ONLY EVENT
- 1998 Boys (19U) STATE ONLY EVENT*

IYSA State Cup & Presidents Cup

Cup Weekends

There will be a designated weekend and location for teams to play their Open Cup and 2 of their Group play games. Teams can agree to play at another location and date but games must be **played no later than the designated weekend**

Fall 2016

- Open Cup: August 27-28
- Group Play: October 1-2
- Semis & Finals: October 14 16 in Northbrook

Spring 2017

- Open Cup: April 15-16 or April 22-23
- Group Play: May 13-14 or 20-21
- Semis & Finals: June 3-4

IYSA State Cup & Presidents Cup

Referee Fees

Both teams will now pay \$80 per team to the referees at the field



Wintrust Illinois Cup

- When teams register with an Illinois Youth Soccer member league at U8-U12 they will have a limited time to register for the Spring Illinois Cup at a reduced fee
- Multi Tier (U8-U10)
 - Gold A Division Teams
 - Silver B Division Teams
 - Bronze C and below Teams
 - Jamboree No score. Just play. Medals for all teams
- U8-U10 3 Games only. Group winners. May be multiple champions in age group



Illinois Futsal

Illinois Youth Soccer is now the official state association of US Futsal

- Leagues/facilities interested in affiliating with Illinois Youth Soccer and US Futsal should contact the office
- Teams that compete in a member futsal league will be eligible for the Illinois Futsal State Cup, coming 2017