



TO: US Youth Soccer National League Midwest & Great Lakes Conference Teams
FROM: Bryan Flanagan, League Manager
DATE: August, 2022
RE: **Mandatory Conference College Showcases**

Please feel free to share this letter with your schools

On behalf of the US Youth Soccer National League and the Midwest & Great Lakes Conferences, we would like to request the release of all players that are members of conference teams from your school to participate in our showcase events during the 2022-2023 season. We realize the importance of a player's education and strive to accommodate the academic calendar that varies from state to state, as much as possible, while also being cognizant of the financial impact that participating in a high-level program has on families. Regrettably, our schedule may result in a limited number of days missed from school.

The USYS National League Conferences have been developed to provide elite level teams and their players with extraordinary opportunities to showcase their talents in front of numerous college coaches who are charged with identifying and developing their teams that are represented at the various levels of collegiate soccer across the United States. The opportunity provided to the players is great both on and off the field. As we all know, players at the elite level are striving to extend their educational and soccer playing careers to the college level. We have already seen the benefit that the Conferences have provided its players in achieving these goals. Our program provides an exclusive group of player's extra opportunities that they have earned through their stellar play in USYS State and Regional League competitions. The dates of our competitions are (please know to allow for a travel day before and after the competition days): **October 28-30, 2022 in St Louis, MO and May 12-14, 2023, in Westfield, IN.**

Thank you for your understanding in regard to the absence of US National League Conference players from school during our events. Please feel free to contact me with any questions. I can be reached at mfrankland@usyouthsoccer.org

Sincerely,

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