



Parents, Players, Coaches and Managers,

As many of you have heard, there have been some significant changes to youth soccer mandated by US Soccer for the upcoming seasons. All states will be required to abide by new standards, new registration processes and new rules. NCYSA will be implementing the required changes with the Fall 2016/Spring 2017 seasons.

As a member of NCYSA, we will be required to implement the changes with the upcoming tryouts for premier, classic, select and Academy teams in our club next year. We will support both NCYSA and US Soccer as these changes are geared to increase the overall level of play of soccer in the United States.

Among the mandates are changes in the number of players on small sided fields and the switch to calendar year registrations based on player's birth years. For full details from US Soccer and NCYSA on the changes, please visit [U.S. Soccer](#) and [NCYSA](#).

As a club, WCWAA will remain committed to developing all of our kids as soccer player and individuals. We will continue to focus on players and their best interests as they progress through our club. We will do our part in ensuring that all teams are led by qualified coaches with the best interest of players in mind at all times.

We will be implementing the changes effective with the May tryout process for Fall 2016 teams. We will encourage players to play "on age" as we always have as we feel that is in the best interest for their development. We encourage all families to consider the basis for US Soccer's changes and their recommendations that players play within their birth year when deciding what age group they will be trying out for.

Coaches, Directors and WCWAA Staff will be available throughout the spring to answer any questions that you may have about the changes and the mandates and how they impact you.

Thank you for being a part of WCWAA Soccer and continuing to help us grow and strengthen as a club!

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