



NEW YORK WEST

CHAMPIONS CONFERENCE

NY West Champions Conference

A state-level premier league for top performing teams in district leagues



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Rationale for creating the league

- Input from NYSWYSA member clubs & teams
 - Desire an open, team-based, promotion & relegation league above district-level leagues
- National trend for premier leagues - parallel, complimentary leagues
 - **Club Membership-based League**
 - Participation based on Club membership criteria, such as club best practice requirements or club similarities.
 - Non-member club teams participation depends on review by member club representatives
 - **Team Performance-based League**
 - Open to qualifying teams, based on game performance
 - League promotion and relegation based on results from specified competitions



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(a team performance-based league)

Opportunity for Teams, Clubs, Leagues

- For teams and clubs that desire
 - Increased opportunity for District League teams to progress to higher level of league play.
- Within District Leagues
 - Participating teams have a definitive, clear progression path to aspire to a higher level of play based on performance
- Smaller Clubs
 - Increased opportunity for smaller clubs' teams to progress to higher level.
- Urban and rural teams
 - Increased opportunity for teams to progress.



League Structure

- Owned and Administered by NYSWYSA
- Age groups: 12U, 13U, 14U, 15U, 16U, 17U, 18-19U
- Season: 8 league matches
- Open entry, with acceptance criteria:
 - Top teams in the highest division of each district league
 - State-Cup advancement to the final four
 - Other teams able to show similar performance
- State-Cup qualifying league
- Annual promotion from & relegation to District Leagues
- Eventually it is hoped teams will advance to regional leagues



League details

- Rosters

Age group	Roster limit	Game day limit
13U to 19U	22	18
12U (9v9)	18	16

- Roster freeze April 1, no guest players
- Coaching licenses
 - One coach with National D or higher
 - All coaches with 11v11 (or 9v9) grassroots completion
 - Two seasons to meet the requirements
- Scheduling
 - League sets preliminary schedule with team match-ups
 - Home team schedules mutually agreeable dates
- Fields
 - Each team provides their own home fields



2021 Spring Season

- Web site: nyswysa.org | Programs & Competitions menu
- Registration fees
 - \$25 application fee (not refundable)
 - \$200 participation fee, plus referee fees

Event	Dedline
Registration opens	October 30
Registration closes	January 15
Acceptance notification	February 1
Preliminary schedule	Mid February
Final schedule	Early March
Play dates	April 24 thru July 11 (12 weekends)

- Encouraging teams to apply for the inaugural season



League Commissioners

Twin Tiers District: Rich Wagner, President

Binghamton District: Kevin Arnold, Vice President

Rochester District: Roger Best

Syracuse District: Pete Lautensack

Southern Tier District: Jim Enser

State Cup Chair: Hugh Goodridge

NYSWYSA Staff: Pam Whitcomb, League Administrator

Make acceptance, promotion, and relegation decisions