



US Club Soccer Midwest Developmental League

A National Premier League





National Premier Leagues: Purpose and Goals

- The US Club Soccer National Premier Leagues are created to provide national competitive developmental platforms:
 - (i) focused on long-term player development;
 - (ii) for the country's top boys soccer clubs, allowing consistent, meaningful high-level games appropriately scheduled with higher training-to-game ratios;
 - (iii) that allow players to be scouted and evaluated by U.S. Soccer National Staff and Technical Advisors;
 - (iv) that are designed and structured by the clubs, based on the needs of the clubs;
 - (v) using international rules of competition; and
 - (vi) that provide an avenue for qualification for a **National Premier Leagues Champions Cup**.





National Premier Leagues: Changing the Landscape

- The National Premier Leagues are an important step of US Club's Soccer's 10-year vision for changing the developmental and competitive landscape for youth soccer.
- This vision recognizes that youth clubs are the primary vehicles for player development, and leagues for these clubs should provide:
 - Fewer, but better and more meaningful games
 - Regional based competition with showcase opportunities
 - Linkage to national competitions
 - Scouting programs based on league competition with avenues for top players to participate in the *id²* program
 - League-based *Player Development Programs* for best-vs-best training on a specified basis





National Premier Leagues: Standards

- The National Premier Leagues are independent leagues created throughout the country for the best boys youth soccer clubs, both those in the U.S. Soccer Development Academy and those outside it, from U-13 to U-18.
- National Premier Leagues are club-based to provide a connecting platform from top to bottom within a club.
- Clubs participating in National Premier Leagues are held to minimum standards of coaching licensing and club structure designed to ensure a top developmental environment.





2011-12 National Premier Leagues

- Several National Premier Leagues will be playing in the Fall of 2011:
 - National Premier Leagues - Northeast Pre-Academy League
 - National Premier Leagues – Southeast Pre-Academy League
 - National Premier League – Texas Pre-Academy League
 - National Premier League – Midwest Developmental League
 - National Premier League – Northeast Independence League
- Additional National Premier Leagues in new regions will be added in the future.





National Premier Leagues - Scouting Showcases

- Each National Premier League provides optional scouting showcases for participating teams, in which cross-division or cross-league friendly games are played.
- NPL Showcases feature scouting by U.S. Soccer national staff.
- US Club Soccer will operate and manage the NPL Showcases.
- US Club Soccer will market the NPL Showcases to local college coaches at appropriate ages.





National Premier Leagues – Player Identification

- The US Club Soccer id² Program will be integrally linked with the National Premier Leagues.
- The id² Program is a national identification and development program based on scouting of players in their club competition environment.
- An id² Program scouting network will be developed in conjunction with each National Premier League.
- The id² Program includes Training Camps and an International Tour each year where players are trained and observed by US Soccer National Staff – at no cost to the player.





National Premier Leagues - Competition Rules

- Players may only play 1 game per day.
- Rosters can change daily to allow flexibility and players to play “up.”
- Rosters will be limited to 26 players.
- No guest players are allowed.
- Age groups are either calendar-year or school-year, at each league’s discretion.





National Premier Leagues – League Champions Cup

- The champions of each National Premier League qualify for the **National Premier Leagues Champions Cup** against winners of other National Premier Leagues.
- The **National Premier Leagues Champions Cup** will be played in July of each year to crown the National Premier Leagues national champion.





National Premier Leagues – Midwest Developmental League

- The NPL - Midwest Developmental League will begin play in Fall 2011 in the U-13, U-14, U-15, U-16, and U-18 boys age groups.
- The Midwest Developmental League will feature 2 divisions:
 - Great Lakes Division (WI, MN, IL, KS)
 - Erie Division (MI, OH, IN)
- Each division includes clubs that are members of the U.S. Soccer Development Academy and clubs outside the USSDA.





Midwest Developmental League: Great Lakes Division

- Great Lakes Division Participants (13):
 - FC Milwaukee Nationals (WI)
 - Minnesota Thunder Academy (MN)
 - Sockers F.C. – Chicago (IL)
 - Chicago Magic (IL)
 - Chicago Fire (IL)
 - SLSG – Metro (IL)
 - SLSG – Missouri (MO)
 - Sporting Kansas City (KS)
 - Blue Valley (KS)
 - Bavarian Soccer Club (WI)
 - Madison 56ers Soccer Club (WI)
 - Rockford Raptors (IL)
 - FC United (IL)





Midwest Developmental League: Erie Division

- Erie Division Participants (10):
 - Derby County Wolves (MI)
 - Vardar Soccer (MI)
 - Internationals (OH)
 - Columbus Crew (OH)
 - Indiana United (IN)
 - WAZA East (MI)
 - Michigan Jags (MI)
 - Grand Rapids Crew (MI)
 - CUP Crew (OH)
 - Ft. Wayne Fever (IN)





Age Groups: U-13 – U-18

- Each age group in the NPL - Midwest Developmental League will play no less than the following number of regular-season games:
 - U-13: 6-8 games in fall and in spring
 - U-14: 6-8 games in fall and in spring
 - U-15: 9-11 games in spring / summer
 - U-16: 9-11 games in spring / summer
 - U-18: 9-11 games in spring / summer





Post-Season:

U-14, U-15, U-16, U-18

- The NPL – Midwest Developmental League champion will be crowned in a postseason championship event:
 - The top 3 teams in each division will automatically qualify for the post-season NPL – Midwest Developmental League Championship.
 - The next 2 teams from *any* division with the most points (or points-per-game if necessary) will qualify for the post-season NPL – Midwest Developmental League Championship as wildcards.
 - A quarterfinal, semifinal, and championship will be played between these 8 teams in each age group to crown the NPL – Midwest Developmental League Champion. A loser's bracket will also be provided.
 - Champions of the Midwest Developmental League will qualify for the **National Premier Leagues Champions Cup**.





SPORTING BVSC NPL Program

- NPL teams will train 2 times per week adding a 3 practice on occasion.
- Training will cover technical and tactical aspects of the game through functional sessions.
- Functional Training by the BVSC Technical Staff
- Players will also be challenged to attain good level of fitness with weekly Soccer Fit sessions.
- Integrated goalkeeper training to improve game management and decision making by the keepers.
- Winter training will take place (outdoor, futsal, indoor practice). It is therefore essential for players to display the necessary commitment and dedication.





KANSAS NPL TEAMS

U13	U14	U15	U16	U18
SPORTING JUNIORS	SPORTING JUNIORS	SPORTING BVSC	SPORTING BVSC	SPORTING BVSC (U17)
SPORTING BVSC	SPORTING BVSC	BVSC STARS STUTTGART	BVSC STARS MAN U	SPORTING BVSC

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2011-2012 Coaching Assignments

- U13 Sporting BVSC 98/99 - Derek Ottensen
- U14 Sporting BVSC 97/98 – Angelo Catenacci
- U15 Sporting BVSC 96/97 – Paul Rideout
- U15 BVSC STARS Stuttgart – Shaun Owens
- U16 Sporting BVSC 95/96 – Matt Trumpp
- U16 BVSC STARS Man U – Wayne Evans
- U17 Sporting BVSC 94/95 - Dustin Ottesen
- U18 Sporting BVSC 93/94 - Matt Trumpp/Boris Pardo





2011-2012 BVSC Sporting Schedule

- September 10th : Scouting Showcase
- September 11th : Scouting Showcase
- **September 24th : vs SLSG (MO)**
- **September 25th : vs SLSG Metro (MO)**
- October 15st : at FC United (IL)
- October 16th : vs Socker FC (IL)
- **October 29th vs Sporting KC (KS)**
- **March 31st : vs Chicago Magic (IL)**
- **April 1st : vs Chicago Fire (IL)**
- April 8th : at Rockford Raptors (IL)
- **April 14th : vs Minnesota Thunder (MN)**
- **April 15th : vs Madison 56ers (WI)**
- April 28th : at Bavarians (WI)
- April 29th: at FC Milwaukee

U13/U14 7 Home Games
5 Away Games

U15-U18 4 Home Games
3 Away Games

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