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2023 US Youth Soccer National Championships Series

The US Youth Soccer National Championships caps a year-long tournament, which features competition for boys' and girls' teams in age groups 12 and Under through 19 and Under. It begins with teams throughout our state association vying for the US Youth



New York West
State Championships

Soccer Championship titles via the NYSWYSA State Cup Tournament.

State Cup champions in all age groups were eligible to compete in the US Youth Soccer East Region Championships, which were held in Loudoun County, VA 23 – 29 June 2023. The East Region Champions in the 13 and Under through 19 and Under age groups advanced to the US Youth Soccer National Championships Tournament held 19 – 24 July 2023 at ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex in Orlando, FL.

The NY West edition of the US Youth Soccer National Championship Series (State Cup) was held on 2 – 4 June at SUNY Cortland. This year's competition featured 109 teams.

2023 NY West State Cup Champions

Age	Team	Age	Team
2011 - Boys 12U	RNY FC Youth 2011 Boys	2011 - Girls 12U	WNY Flash 11G
2010 - Boys 13U	Clarence BU13 Pre-Black	2010 - Girls 13U	CNY Coliseum 2010 Girls
2009 - Boys 14U	RNY FC U14	2009 - Girls 14U	BC United 09G
2008 - Boys 15U	Rochester Lancers 2008 Boys Regional	2008 - Girls 15U	CSA Elite G2008 - Crush
2007 - Boys 16U	FC Dynamo ROC B2007	2007 - Girls 16U	NY Rush Select 07 Girls
2006 - Boys 17U	BC United Premier 06B	2006 - Girls 17U	NWAA Lady Renegades
2005 - Boys 18U	SDA 05 Boys Orange	2005 - Girls 18U	FC Dynamo ROC G2005
2004 - Boys 19U	SDA 04 Boys Orange	2004 - Girls 19U	BC United 04G

NY West Teams at 2023 East Region Championships

NYSW advanced 19 teams consisting of 14 State Cup Champions, 4 wildcard teams and 1 Regional League team, to the East Regional Championships. The teams acquitted themselves very well with 2 teams advancing to the Quarterfinals, 4 teams advancing to the Semi-finals and 1 team advancing to the Finals. The WNY Flash 12U Girls team won their match and was crowned USYS East Region Champion, becoming the first Buffalo team to win Regionals.

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In addition, NSYW provided 9 referees and 2 assessors to participate in the East Region Championships.

NY West Teams at 2023 National Championships

The National Championships kicked off with a Player Event beginning with a Trophy parade, introductions of participating teams and encouraging words from guest speakers. The event was capped off with an appearance of the ever-popular Mickey Mouse.

Play got underway the next day on 17 well-manicured all grass fields. The BC United 2009 Girls dropped their first match but then won the next two, going 2-1 in group play. to advance to the National Championship Semi-Finals. Ultimately, they lost in a close Semi-Final match to a team from Hawaii that went on to be crowned National Champions. They played admirably throughout the week and demonstrated that NYSWYSA teams are among the best in the Nation.

2024 State Cup Schedule

Based on feedback from clubs participating in the 2023 tournament we have decided to try an experimental format for the 2024 State Cup Tournament Final 4 Weekend. The tournament will use a group play format for each age group to determine the top 4 teams that will participate in semi-final and championship games during the Final 4 Tournament. The semi-final game will be an elimination game. The winners of the Semi-Final Games will meet the following day for a Championship game. We will solicit feedback from all participating teams on this format at the end of the Tournament.

Registration is open for the 2024 State Cup Competition. The registration date for the tournament closes on December 1, 2023. Currently 20 teams have registered in 9 age groups.

The Final 4 Tournament is scheduled for June 1 – 2, 2024 at SUNY Cortland.

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