

2019 US Youth Soccer Florida State Cup Seeding Structure

A point system integrating league play within the USYS League structure will be used.

FYSA will award 8 seeds for each age division in 2019. The 8 teams with the highest total points will be awarded seeds 1-8 respectively. All other teams will begin in round 1 of competition. All seeding will end with status on February 25, 2019.

Current Season Results

US Youth Soccer – National League

1st place-20 points 2nd place-18 3rd-5th place-15 Participation-8

Sunshine Conference

Participation-10 points

Mid-South Conference

1st place-10 points 2nd place-8 3rd-5th place-6 Participation-4

FYSA – Florida State Premier League-Premier Division

1st place-8 points 2nd place-6 3rd-5th place-4 6th-8th place-2

FYSA – Florida State Premier League-First Division

1st place-5 points 2nd place-4 3rd-5th place-2 6th-8th place-1

FYSA League Affiliate (Results determined by the League as of February 25, 2019)

1st place-6 points Wildcard*-1 point

**- Wildcard points are only used in the case that the League Affiliate 1st place finisher has accumulated additional points through USYS League Structure/State Cup. The point would be assessed to the League's highest finishing team without State Cup Seeding Points.*

Tiebreakers

If teams are tied in accumulated points, seeding in the Florida State Cup will be determined by the following:

1. Higher finish in National League
2. Higher finish in Sunshine Conference/Mid-South Conference
3. Higher finish in FSPL
4. Higher finish within a League Affiliate Seeded Division
5. Higher number of teams from the League Affiliate Division that reached the Round of 16 in the previous year's State Cup. (*Only used when multiple League Affiliates are tied)
6. Higher finish within the previous year's Florida Presidents Cup (*Only used for the U13 division)
7. Random Draw of teams with teams that have accumulated points

Seeding will be published February 27, 2019 at 6:00pm EST
Deadline to dispute seeding is March 1, 2019 at noon EST



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League Affiliate Seeding Requirements

All FYSA League Affiliates affiliated with FYSA for at least two years are eligible to receive seeding points for each age group that meets the criteria below. The criteria are evaluated for each age group individually, which may result in a League Affiliate earning seeding points for some age groups but not for others.

1. The division must be considered the league's highest division of play as determined by the league.
2. At least four teams in the division must have participated in State Cup in the previous season. *13Us must be divisions comprised of at least four teams entered into the upcoming State Cup.*
3. Less than 50% of the division's teams are entered into a USYS League Structure League (National League, Region III Premier League, Florida State Premier League).
4. Each division must be inter-club play consisting of a minimum of 6 games played by 7 teams from at least 5 different clubs.
5. Age groups must be single age groups; although a division may have a team that "plays up" an age group may only have teams from adjacent age group (ex: a 16U age group may allow 15Us to be scheduled, but not 14Us.)
 - a. State Cup seeding points are awarded to a specific age group and may not be used by a team competing in a different State Cup age group.
6. League Affiliates may apply to earn points for multiple League Seasons. In addition to the criteria above, the items below must be satisfied in order for an additional season to receive seeding points.
 - a. The combined number of teams that participated in State Cup the previous season must be at least 4 times the number of seasons the League Affiliate would earn points for.
 - i. *A Fall and Winter season would need to have 8 different teams that participated in State Cup during the previous season in order for both seasons to earn seeding points.*

