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## WYSA COACH WINS NATIONAL HONORS

Xavier Rico selected as US Youth Soccer's National Boys Competitive Coach of the Year

West Allis, WI, January 21, 2016 – During the US Youth Soccer Workshop at the NSCAA Convention, US Youth Soccer hosted their annual Awards Gala to honor Regional award winners and announced the National winners. Amongst the nominees was Xavier Rico, Wisconsin Youth Soccer Association (WYSA) and Region II Boys Competitive Coach of the Year. Anxiously waiting with the Region I, III, and IV winners, Xavier was named the US Youth Soccer National Boys Competitive Coach of the Year.

Xavier was nominated after a highly successful season with his u13 Boys at SC Waukesha. Not only were they the State Champions, but they went on to become finalists at the Region II Championships and were invited to join the US Youth Soccer National League. In that same season, Xavier led two other teams to State Championships, one of which reached the semi-finals at the Region II Championships. Currently, Xavier is at Strike FC Wisconsin coaching u10 and u11 Boys.

*We are honored to have such a high caliber coach in the state and very proud to have Xavi in our organization. We're looking forward to his future success with Strike FC. – Ken Ward, President, Strike FC Wisconsin*

WYSA would like to congratulate Xavier on such an outstanding achievement. Xavier, along with the other WYSA award winners, will be recognized at the 2016 WYSA AGM on March 12 in Milwaukee.

WYSA is a member of the US Youth Soccer Association, the largest youth sports organization in the country. WYSA oversees registration and league play of nearly 55,000 players annually and is the largest youth soccer organization in Wisconsin. Players register through over 130 member clubs assigned to one of 12 geographic districts throughout Wisconsin. For additional information about WYSA please visit [wiyouthsoccer.com](http://wiyouthsoccer.com).

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