

2023 US YOUTH SOCCER MIDWEST PRESIDENTS CUP

WEST CHESTER, OHIO

JUNE 16 - 20TH



TEAM INFORMATION GUIDE



2023 Midwest Presidents Cup Team:

On behalf of US Youth Soccer, congratulations on qualifying for our 2023 US Youth Soccer Midwest Presidents Cup! This is an incredible accomplishment towards your goal of advancing to the 2023 US Youth Soccer National Presidents Cup in Wichita, Kansas and competing for a National title.

We have been busy preparing for your arrival with our host, Ohio Soccer Association, to help ensure a memorable experience for you in West Chester Township, Ohio. Additionally, we are excited to celebrate our US Youth Soccer Presidents Cup 15th anniversary this year!

There is a variety of information in this guide to help prepare you for your trip to West Chester Township. In addition, please visit [USYouthSoccer.org](https://www.usyouthsoccer.org) for the latest event information. We will continue to update our website leading up to and throughout the event.

The final game schedules will be available upon completion of all state qualifying events on or around June 9th. The [preliminary game schedules](#) will be posted by May. Please note that schedule change requests will not be honored, so please plan accordingly.

It is important that your team is registered for the event and your team's roster submitted for approval prior to the deadline provided by your State Association in the [GotSport platform](#).

In lieu of an in-person check-in, we will be hosting a webinar for team representatives on **Thursday, June 8 at 10AM CST/11AM EST**. Watch for more information, including registration in May. The webinar will be recorded and made available to all teams after the presentation.

Should you have any additional questions, your first point of contact will be your State Rep. We look forward to seeing you in West Chester Township!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jen Fickett".

Jen Fickett

US Youth Soccer Midwest Presidents Cup Program Manager



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IMPORTANT TEAM INFORMATION

Any information in this document does not replace the need to be familiar with the “US Youth Soccer Presidents Cup Competition Rules”, the “Policy on the US Youth Soccer National Presidents Cup”, and the “US Youth Soccer Presidents Cup Competition Protocols”, all of which are available for download at the [US Youth Soccer Presidents Cup website](#).

MEMBERS PASSES AND BENCH PASS CREDENTIALS

Each player and team official listed on a team roster must possess a current seasonal year US Youth Soccer member pass with a recent face on, passport style photograph.

All member passes shall be laminated or machine produced credit card style. Teams without US Youth Soccer member passes shall not be allowed to participate in the Midwest Presidents Cup.

Bench Personnel are **limited a maximum of four (4) individuals** (this includes head coaches, assistant coaches, managers, club coaches, trainers and/or any other team officials) in the technical area during a match. Each individual must possess a valid US Youth Soccer member pass and wear the provided Bench Pass credential, visible at all times, while in the technical area.

US YOUTH SOCCER CONCUSSION PROTOCOL

The US Youth Soccer Presidents Cup competition follows the US Youth Soccer Concussion Protocol. Please be advised that after a player receives a completed US Youth Soccer Concussion Form due to displaying signs and symptoms of a concussion, that player may not return to play until a signed clearance form from a medical doctor or doctor of osteopathy who specializes in concussion treatment and management has been received. Please refer to the form, available at [USYouthSoccer.org](#), for more details.

The clearance must be on a document issued by the medical doctor's office stating that the player has been cleared to return to play and is clear of symptoms. The document must also be signed by the official.

If a player is cleared during the event, please notify your State Representative (if applicable) and bring the signed clearance to the event headquarters. If a player is cleared post-event, please contact the US Youth Soccer National Office at 972-334-9300.

NOTE: The Athletic Trainers contracted for this event are considered primarily and any team or club Athletic Trainers are secondary.

UNIFORMS

Each team must have two (2) uniform sets (one light color and one dark color) and 2 different color sock sets at **each match** during the competition.

- The home team (listed first in the schedule) is required to wear their light color jersey.
- The away team (listed second in the schedule) is required to wear their dark color jersey.
- Matching shorts are not required. The same color shorts can be utilized for both uniforms.
- Opposing teams are required to wear contrasting color socks.

If, in the opinion of the referee, there is a sock color conflict, the **home team** must change. If, in the opinion of the referee, there is a jersey color conflict, the **team causing the conflict** must change. The referee's decision is final. Any failure to comply may result in the team forfeiting the match.

Uniforms numbers must be a minimum of six (6) inches in size. Each field player must have a number permanently affixed to the back of their jersey which must be clearly visible. **Duplicate and/or taped numbers are not permitted.** Goalkeepers must wear colors that distinguish them from other players and referees. Numbered jerseys for goalkeepers are optional; however, are recommended.



UNIFORM LOGOS, MARKINGS & SPONSORS

At every level of the National Presidents Cup competitions, a player or team official at a game site to participate in a game or associated activity of the competitions may only have on the outerwear of the player or team official a name, logo, or other identifying mark of a youth soccer organization that is US Youth Soccer, a State Association or other member of US Youth Soccer, a member of a State Association, or an organization that is a member of an organization that is a member of a State Association. **A name, logo, or other identifying mark of any other youth soccer organization must be removed, replaced, or covered before the player or team official may continue to remain at the game site for the game or associated activity.**

If a team chooses to not remove a name, logo, or other identifying mark of any other youth soccer organization, it must be completely covered by a **sewn-on** patch. American flag patches are perfectly suited for this purpose. **Covering non-conforming patches or logos with tape will not be accepted.**

Per the US Youth Soccer Policy on Players and Playing Rules Rule 304, Section 2: "A team member is not prohibited by US Youth Soccer from having a mark or name, or both, on any part of the team member's uniform being worn at a game if the mark or name is related to an item or service that is appropriate for youth." "Any inappropriate mark or name on a team member's uniform must be removed, replaced, or covered before the team member may continue to participate in the game."

Examples of inappropriate marks or names would be tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, etc. If there is any question about a logo, marking or sponsor, it is **strongly** suggested that you inquire well in advance of the start of the event in order to avoid an issue at the field.

Please note that these policies will be strictly enforced for participants at all levels of the US Youth Soccer National Presidents Cup competitions.

UNIFORM PATCHES

As teams advance through the US Youth Soccer National Presidents Cup competitions, they may be presented with State Champion uniform patches. The State Champion patches are optional and not required to be worn for the Regional Presidents Cup competition. Before a team affixes any of these patches to their uniforms, be aware that teams that advance to the National Presidents Cup competition **must wear the National Presidents Cup patch** they will be provided, as outlined below. Although teams may utilize any other patches they were presented if they choose, it is recommended that teams leave sufficient space for the National Presidents Cup patch.

Important: **All team member uniforms must have each patch permanently affixed in the same location.**

Patches may be placed:

- On the right or left sleeve of the jersey, approximately 1" above the bottom edge of the sleeve with the patch facing outwards. For long sleeve jerseys, (for example a Goalkeeper jersey) place the patch in approximately the same spot as if it were a short sleeve jersey.
- On the right or left leg of the shorts, approximately 1" above the bottom edge of the hem with the patch facing forward.

These options are provided in order to avoid conflict with sponsor logos, player numbers, etc. However, as outlined above, **all uniforms must have each patch permanently affixed in the same location.**



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EVENT HOST

Ohio Soccer Association is honored to host the 2023 US Youth Soccer Midwest Presidents Cup in West Chester, Ohio. Hosting this event at the Voice of America MetroPark Athletic Complex is a tremendous privilege for them. While in the area, please be sure to take advantage of the many wonderful restaurants and attractions. Above all, please enjoy your visit, and we wish your team the best of luck during your matches.

EVENT DATES

Thursday, June 15	Practice day if desired; times must be reserved in advance
Friday, June 16	Group Play Day 1
Saturday, June 17	Group Play Day 2
Sunday, June 18	Group Play Day 3
Monday, June 19	Semifinals
Tuesday, June 20	Finals

EVENT LOCATION

Matches for the 2023 Midwest Presidents Cup will be hosted at:

[Voice of America MetroPark Athletic Complex](#)

7850 VOA Park Drive

West Chester, Ohio, 45069

There are 18 fields at Voice of America MetroPark Athletic Complex, with concessions available. Please note that no pets are allowed at the soccer fields.

PRACTICE FIELDS

Practice fields will be available on Thursday, June 15 at the Voice of America MetroPark Athletic Complex. A link for reservations will be available in May on a first-come-first-serve basis on the event website [USYouthSoccer.org](https://www.usyouthsoccer.org).

TRAVEL

All travel to the competition is at your expense. Should teams choose to fly, the closest airports are Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International (CVG) or Dayton International (DAY).

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

This is a stay-to-play event. Your State Association selects all team hotel accommodations per the event housing requirements. Each team is required to book a minimum of 24 room-nights, through the approved housing coordinator. Please remember that all teams are required to stay at the property their State Association designated to them.

SEVERE WEATHER

The Midwest Presidents Cup committee and staff will be constantly monitoring conditions and will follow any local requirements as well as all US Youth Soccer weather protocols. Additionally, the event will have its own SMS notification system. Watch for more details on how to sign-up.

TEAM REGISTRATION/CHECK-IN

Team registration/check-in will be online, and there will not be an "in person" opportunity to do so. Any required documents must be uploaded into the GotSport system in advance of team arrival. Your State Association and State Rep will be able to assist and guide you through this process.

MEDICAL SERVICES

Athletic Trainers will be available for preventative taping services; however, all medical injuries will have priority. Players must provide their own tape.



HOSPITAL & URGENT CARE FACILITIES

If clearance is needed for a concussion or other medical situation, the addresses below are provided for your convenience.

- **West Chester Hospital** 7700 University Dr, West Chester, OH 45069
- **Children's Hospital Liberty Campus** 777 Yankee Rd, Liberty Twp, OH 45044
- **Christ Hospital Medical Center Liberty Center** 6939 Cox Rd, Liberty Twp, OH 45044

OFFICIAL EVENT MERCHANDISE

We are proud to have [Team IP](#) as the official apparel provider of the 2023 Midwest Presidents Cup. Be sure to pick up your t-shirts, hoodies and other apparel.

EVENT PHOTOGRAPHY SERVICES

[All Star Productions](#) will be taking team photos of all teams during group play. Watch for more information regarding sign-ups as well as individual player photo options.

REFEREES

Just as teams earned the right to compete at the Midwest Region Presidents Cup, the referees have also earned their place, based on recommendations and accomplishments from within their state. At this competition, referees compete to earn the honor of attending the National Presidents Cup based on their performance. The referees are supported by senior referees and mentors who contribute to their development by guiding them in post-match reflections. Please refrain from criticizing the officials throughout the competition.

SPECTATORS

Parents and/or spectators who can reasonably be considered to be affiliated with a team are considered a part of that team, and the actions of those individuals are the responsibility of the credentialed team officials appearing on the roster.

No spectators are permitted anywhere behind the goal line during a match. The spectator area is located on the opposite side of the field from the technical/bench area. Spectators must remain in the half of the field directly across from their team's bench, subject to the following exception.

It is expected that respect for the game and players will prevail if a limited number of spectators wish to **quietly** observe the match in the far end of the opposing spectator section (for example, the Goalkeeper's parents). In the event of disruptive behavior by these spectators, a referee or tournament official may require them to return to their designated area and restrict any further sideline movement of spectators.

Technical instruction from any part of the spectator area, provocative or unsportsmanlike behavior by any spectator may result in 1) their removal from the complex or 2) clearing the sideline and removing all spectators from the match, either from one or both teams. Any spectators asked to leave by law enforcement, security, referee or any other event official must immediately depart the field area and remain out of sight and sound of the match until the teams have departed the field of play and are no longer the responsibility of the referee. Any individuals removed may not return to the field at the end of the match.

Whistles, air horns, megaphones, artificial noisemakers and/or similar devices are prohibited at all National Presidents Cup competitions. Air horns are for use solely by tournament officials to signal when fields must be cleared due to inclement or dangerous weather conditions.

HYDRATION

Water will be provided at hydration stations located near medical tents. Players and teams must provide their own water bottles.



LOCAL AREA INFORMATION

Travel Butler County, Ohio is excited to welcome you to the 2021 US Youth Soccer Midwest Presidents Cup in West Chester, Ohio. Exciting and thrilling competition awaits. When you are off the field, unwind in your downtime. Explore outdoor adventures like horseback riding and kayaking, sample local flavors on the Butler County Donut Trail or wanted the aisles of Jungle Jim's International Market. Get the inside scoop on the best places to see and things to explore, [visit Travel Butler County](#).

STATE OF OHIO REQUIREMENTS

The following State of Ohio requirements must be uploaded for your team in GotSport by your State's roster approval deadline. Ohio Soccer Association participants have already met these requirements.

Lindsay's Law: In accordance with Ohio Senate Bill 252, all participants must follow and adhere to the Sudden Cardiac Arrest in Youth Athletes Law (Lindsay's Law). The law requires that all youth athletes, parents/guardians, and coaches to complete a set of requirements prior to participating.

For parents/guardians and youth athletes:

- [Watch required video](#)
- [Review required SCA Informational Handout](#)
- [Sign and upload in GotSport required Signature Form for each player](#)

For coaches:

- [Watch required video](#)
- [Review required SCA Informational Handout](#)

Concussion Training: In accordance with Ohio's "Return to Play" law, coaches are required to complete a State of Ohio approved concussion training. Coaches may take the [CDC HEADS UP](#) or [NFHS](#) training. **A copy of the current certificate (taken within the past three (3) years) must be uploaded in GotSport.**

The law also requires a youth sports organization to provide a [Concussion Training Information Sheet](#) to the parent/guardian of each player.



PARKING

There is a parking permit required to enter the complex for the 2023 Midwest Presidents Cup. RV's/Bus's must park in designated areas only and no overnight parking is permitted.

In order to make the process as seamless as possible and avoid teams potentially being delayed getting to their matches if they purchase onsite, parking pre-sale options are listed below, including options for teams traveling via bus.

Option 1: Team Contact Purchases the Parking Passes for the Team

- Have the Team Contact send a parking pass request to your Team Parents/Guardians (or others attending the event) with parking pass options:
 - Event Pass (Car) - \$40.00
 - Event Pass (RV/Bus) - \$100.00
 - Day Pass (Car) Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, or Tuesday - \$20.00
- Designate a Team Contact (usually the Team Administrator or Coach) to purchase ALL of the parking passes for their team.
- Team Contact assembles all of the requests and submits one application for passes for the team using the link: [US Youth Soccer Midwest Presidents Cup Parking Passes](#)
- Parking passes will be mailed out to teams **beginning June 6** to distribute to their team.
- **Deadline to submit request is June 5, 2023.**
- Teams that miss the June 5 deadline or opt out will have the opportunity to purchase parking passes onsite.

Option 2: Team Provides Parking Pass Information to Parents/Guardians/Others to Order Passes

- Provide the following information to all of your parents/guardians (or others) so it is input in the system in a consistent manner:
 - Club Name, Team Name, Coach Name
 - Age Group, State Association
 - Team Admin Name and Address (this is who the parking passes will be mailed to)
 - Team Admin email and cell phone number
- Team sends the parking pass event ordering information to parents/guardian/others to purchase individually using the link: [US Youth Soccer Midwest Presidents Cup Parking Passes](#)
 - Event Pass (Car) - \$40.00
 - Event Pass (RV/Bus) - \$100.00
 - Day Pass (Car) Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, or Tuesday - \$20.00
- All passes ordered per team will be collated and sorted to the designated Team and Team Admin.
- Parking passes will be mailed out to designated Team Admin **beginning June 6** to distribute to their team.
- **Deadline to Submit request is June 5, 2023.**
- Teams that miss the June 5 deadline or opt out will have the opportunity to purchase parking passes on site.

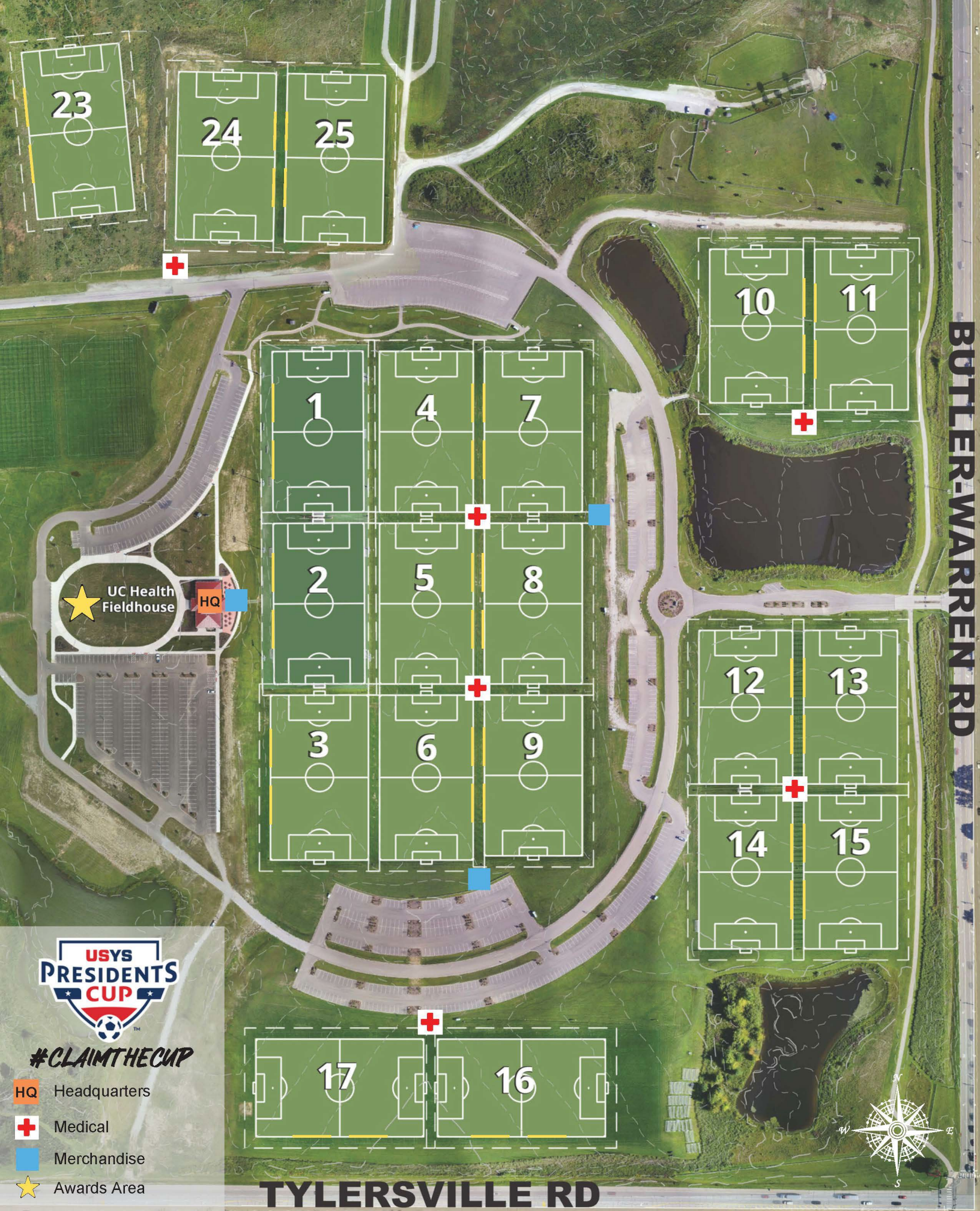
Michigan and Indiana Teams

As teams from these State Associations do not qualify for the Midwest Presidents Cup until June 4, the following option is available:

- Follow option 1 or 2 ordering and payment instructions.
- **Deadline to submit request is June 8, 2023.**
- Parking passes will be shipped on June 9 to the designated Team Admin.

If you have any questions about parking passes, please contact office@ohio-soccer.org.





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\$450 / team

We film your games and ALL games are delivered electronically within 72 hours of the event conclusion.

Please click the link and enter your team information, and we will contact you promptly.

For any teams interested in booking a team video package for the Midwest Presidents Cup please click on the link below. An Upper90HQ representative will call to confirm your booking and set up payment arrangements. Your team can purchase a 3-game video package for \$450 each team. Each team will get access to their games videos post event and will have unlimited downloads and access for all games.

When your team advances, we will provide game video for only \$100/game. Please contact us today to ensure we capture your games this summer. Please click the link below and we will contact you promptly. See you on the pitch and Elevate Your Game with Upper90HQ.

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