

2012 NIRSA NCCS National Soccer Championships November 15-17 ~ Memphis, Tennessee

The 2012 NIRSA NCCS National Soccer Championships are excited to have <u>Mike Rose Soccer Complex</u> host this year's tournament in <u>Memphis, Tennessee</u>. Expect to have excellent competition in all divisions. Teams by division are listed at the end of the newsletter.

Tournament Schedule—The tournament schedule will be posted by **November 8th**. Any changes to that schedule will be updated and provided to you onsite in Memphis. Games start at **8:00am** on Thursday morning. All teams will play 2 matches on Thursday and at least one match on Friday. The top qualifiers in each pool (varies depending on the division) will advance to playoffs on Friday, and winners will advance to semi-finals and finals on Saturday. Men's and Women's OPEN finals will begin at 1 pm on Saturday, Women's CHAMPIONSHIP at 3 pm and Men's CHAMPIONSHIP at 5 pm.

<u>Team Check-in</u>—Check-in is on Wednesday, Nov. 14th from **5:00-7:00pm** in the foyer outside of the Tennessee Ballroom at the Hilton Memphis, 939 Ridge Lake Blvd., Memphis, TN. Only **one person** from each team needs to check in the team. If you **cannot** make team check-in on Wednesday night please call Valerie McCutchan at the NIRSA National Office (541) 766-8211 x-15 or email <u>valerie@nirsa.org</u> by **Friday**, **Nov. 9** to make alternate arrangements to pick up team information and turn in remaining paperwork prior to your first match on Thursday.

The following will be required at team check-in:

- Completed Player Certification Form (emailed to team rep, contact the office immediately if you do not have this document)
- <u>Waiver</u> signed by all participants
- <u>Code of Conduct</u> signed by all participants
- Cell number for player representative
- Hotel information for team

<u>Player Forms</u>—All participants will be required to sign a **waiver** and a player "Code of Conduct" form. These forms are included with this email. Make copies and **bring the completed and signed forms to check-in**. Do not mail the forms to the NIRSA National Center. If any player is under the age of 18, a parent or guardian must sign the waiver. **Each participant is required to have health insurance.** This information must be provided on the waiver form.

<u>Coaches Meeting</u>—All coaches/team reps are required to attend this meeting on Wednesday, November 14 at 7:00 pm in the Tennessee Ballroom A at the Hilton Memphis, 939 Ridge Lake Blvd. It will last about one hour and important updates and guidelines will be discussed.

<u>Roster Additions</u>—Email to <u>Valerie@nirsa.org</u>; you will be emailed a Player Certification Form for added players. **No adds to your roster will be accepted after Nov. 8 at 5pm PST.** Additions to your original roster after Nov. 5 will be \$10 per change. Dropped players will be handled during team check-in.

Photo ID—Each player is **required** to show his/her ID before each game.

<u>Fields</u>—All fields are located at the <u>Mike Rose Soccer Complex</u>, 2425 9000 E. Shelby Drive, Memphis, TN 38125. The Tournament Desk will be near Field 16.

Parking Fee—Mike Rose does have a parking fee – cars are \$5; vans & buses are \$30 for a weekend pass.

Tournament Balls—The official ball for the NIRSA NCCS National Soccer Championships will be Brine. This sponsor will have a gift waiting for your team.

Tournament and Results—Daily results of the championships will be posted on the <u>NIRSA website</u>; have friends and family tweet @NIRSANCCS.

<u>At the Championships</u>—Water coolers will be available on each field. Bring your own water bottle, no cups will be provided. Please note that there will be limited bleacher seating available at the fields. Spectators should be prepared to bring their own seating, or sit/stand on the grass.

<u>Team Uniforms</u>—Be sure that the numbers on all players' uniforms are consistent with numbers submitted on the team registration form, particularly in switching from light to dark uniforms.

<u>Dropping from the tournament</u>—Directors are aware that plans can change, so please inform us immediately if you are unable to attend (there are waitlisted teams). There are no entry fee refunds. Teams that cancel after **Nov. 6** will receive a 1 year sanction from attending the NIRSA NCCS Soccer Championships. Teams that do NOT show up for scheduled games in Memphis will receive a 2 year sanction from attending the NIRSA NCCS Soccer Championships.

Inclement weather—Please note that the tournament format, number of games, and game length may change due to a team not showing up or circumstances beyond our control (weather). There are **NO** back-up fields. Under extreme weather conditions, the tournament could be cancelled.

<u>T-shirts/Programs</u>—Long-sleeved 100% cotton t-shirts (\$18), dri-fit short sleeved t-shirts (\$18), and tournament sweatshirts (\$30) will be on sale throughout the championships. To pre-order shirts that can be picked up at check-in contact Ben (<u>Ben@nirsa.org</u>) with shirt sizes and style.

<u>Concessions</u>—Concessions will be sold on site for the duration of the tournament and will include: hotdogs, hamburgers, chicken sandwiches, chicken salad sandwiches, chicken strips and fries, (if cold then soup and chili), cookies, chips, coffee, hot chocolate, Gatorade, water, candy, apples, bananas, granola health bars, etc. In addition, there are several restaurants near the hotels and with a mile from the fields.

Exam Proctor—All NCCS Championships have exam proctors available. If you need to take an exam, contact Valerie@nirsa.org or (541) 766-8211 for more information. NIRSA will have Danny Feitel, Assistant Director of Programs with the department of Recreational Sports and Adjunct Professor at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi administrating all exams on site to participants.

<u>Contact Information</u>—Any questions regarding the championships can be answered by calling Valerie McCutchan or Ben Prahl at the NIRSA National Center, (541) 766-8211. **Starting Nov. 12th** Val/Ben can be reached via the NIRSA cell phone (541) 760-6254.

<u>Rental Car</u>—NIRSA is working with <u>Enterprise</u> to have cars/vans available at the Airport. <u>Enterprise</u> is one of the companies that rent to people under 25 years old. Account code - 56WS102; Group name – NIR

<u>Trainers</u>—There will be athletic trainers available at each site. Players <u>must bring their own pre-wrap and tape</u> for preventative taping. Tape will be sold by the trainers for \$2 per roll if players do not provide their own.

<u>Awards</u>—All 1st and 2nd place teams will receive awards as well as the All-Tournament Teams and MVPs for each division. A Team Sportsmanship plaque will be awarded to both a men's and women's team.

- Men's Championship immediately following the championship match
- o Women's Championship immediately following the championship match
- Men's Open half time of the Men's Championship match
- Women's Open half time of the Women's Championship match

<u>Referees</u>—Referees for the Championships are endorsed by NISOA, the National Intercollegiate Soccer Official's Association. Expect quality officiating throughout all of your games from referees around the country.

Evaluations/results—All participants will be invited to complete an online tournament evaluation.

<u>**Transportation**</u>—Teams are responsible for their own transportation to and from the hotels/airport/fields. Plan your departure time from your hotel accordingly taking into account morning traffic/parking issues.

<u>Practice</u>—The fields will available for practice from 2:30pm – 6:30pm (2:30, 3:30, 4:30, & 5:30) on Wed., Nov. 14. Please email <u>Ben@nirsa.org</u> to reserve a field. Check-in at the tournament desk on the west side of the Mike Rose Soccer Complex to be assigned a field. Due to limited fields, some teams may be required to "share" a field.

Sportsmanship Statement—The NCCS believes good sportsmanship is an integral component of intercollegiate competition. We wholeheartedly embrace the position that in order for sportsmanship to prevail, coaches, student-athletes, and fans must display respect, fairness, civility, honesty, and responsibility before, during and after all athletic contests. We encourage fans to enthusiastically support their team, recognize the outstanding performance of opponents, and always exhibit good sportsmanship in their words and actions.

The NCCS encourages and promotes sportsmanship by student-athletes, coaches, and spectators. Offensive language including profanity, racial or ethnic slurs or other intimidating actions directed at officials, event staff, student-athletes, coaches or team representatives will not be tolerated and are grounds for removal from sight of the competition.

<u>Official Photographer</u>—Alan Poizner and his team of photographers with <u>ClubSoccerPhotos.com</u> will be on the fields each day shooting action of the games as well as team photos for those that would like them. There is no obligation to buy prints and all images will be available for free viewing as well as print orders on their website: <u>http://www.clubsoccerphotos.com/</u>. Please visit the site for complete details, or feel free to email <u>alan@clubsoccerphotos.com</u> for more photo information.

Teams for 2012 NIRSA NCCS National Soccer Championships

<u>Men's Championship – 24</u>		<u>Women's Championship – 24</u>	
Region 1	United States Naval Academy	Region 1	Boston College
Region 1	Harvard University	Region 1	University of Pittsburgh
Region 1	Penn State University	Region 1	The College of New Jersey
Region 2	University of Florida	Region 2	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Region 2	University of Georgia	Region 2	University of Georgia
Region 2	Virginia Tech	Region 2	Virginia Tech
Region 3	University of Illinois	Region 3	The Ohio State University
Region 3	Michigan State University	Region 3	Indiana University
Region 3	The Ohio State University	Region 3	Michigan State University
Region 4	Texas Christian University	Region 4	The University of Texas at Austin "A"
Region 4	Louisiana State University	Region 4	Baylor University
Region 4	Washington University in St Louis	Region 4	University of Kansas
Region 5	University of Colorado "Gold"	Region 5	University of Colorado "Gold"
Region 5	Colorado School of Mines	Region 5	Colorado State University
Region 5	University of Denver	Region 6	University of California, Santa Barbara
Region 6	University of Arizona	Region 6	Cal Poly
Region 6	Cal Poly	Region 6	University of California, Berkeley
Region 6	Weber State University	Region 6	Cornell University
At-large	Auburn University	At-large	University of Delaware
At-large	Grand Valley State University	At-large	University of Virginia
At-large	Texas A&M University	At-large	University of Michigan
At-large	The University of Texas at Austin "A"	At-large	Miami University
At-large	UCLA	At-large	Texas A&M University
At-large	University of Southern California	At-large	San Diego State University

Men's Open – 24

Baylor University California State University, Fullerton Colorado State University Iowa State University James Madison University North Carolina State University Northeastern University Sam Houston State University Samford University San Diego State University SUNY Cortland **Texas Tech University** The University of Texas at Austin "B" University of Arkansas University of California, Berkeley University of Cincinnati

Women's Open – 24

Colorado School of Mines Iowa State University James Madison University Middle Tennessee State University Old Dominion University Penn State University Salt Lake Community College Texas State University-San Marcos **Texas Tech University** The University of Texas at Austin "B" **Towson University** UCLA University of Arizona University of Colorado "Black" University of Connecticut University of Illinois

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