



Organization Profile

Since its first year of inception in 1969, with membership numbers just topping 100,000, Cal North has grown to largest state youth soccer organization in the United States, counting more than 188,00 members ages 5-19. Cal North provides a democratic structure to provide uniform rules and guidelines to its membership which comprises nine districts, 128 leagues of registration, tens of thousands of volunteers and administrators, plus over 24,000 coaches, most of which are also volunteers.

Mission

"The mission of the California Youth Soccer Association (Cal North) is to serve all children and our communities by providing opportunities that allow each child to grow, learn, mature and succeed by becoming productive adult members of society through the development, promotion, and offering, regardless of race, color, religion, age, sex, national origin and/or ability, comprehensive community based leagues that offer a complete range of youth soccer opportunities for all children of all ages and abilities."

Cal North Motto: Kids First

Cal North, with its motto KIDS FIRST is dedicated to assisting parents in developing youth as individuals and not just as soccer players

Vision: It All Starts Here

For Cal North every child is an individual of importance to be nurtured, encouraged, and supported and to that end Cal North's vision is to offers something for every child. Cal North has programs for the disadvantaged, and programs leading to state-wide competitions for all levels of play in the form of the Founders Cup, the Association Cup, the State Cup, TOPSoccer, and the Olympic Development Program.

Structure

The Association shall have a Board of Directors elected through an open and democratic process. Cal North is also able to provide a structured appeals process and its marketing and licensing programs help California Youth Soccer Association hold down player costs while providing revenue for increased services. The state administration of Cal North is conducted by a fifteen member Board of Directors consisting of a Chairman, 1st Vice Chairman, 2nd Vice Chairman, 3rd Vice Chairman, Secretary, Chief Financial Officer, nine district commissioners, and a Member at Large. A sixteenth position, that of Past President is held by the most recent past president.

The Cal North membership is divided into nine regions, each with a commissioner elected to the board. The districts are geographically based. Each district has a Board of Directors, elected by the league presidents from their member leagues.

Cal North is a member of a much larger soccer community, and therefore its players are members of this world community. Boys and girls register to play with one of the more than 300 clubs or leagues formed by Cal North. Each of the nine districts are Cal North and therefor members of US Youth Soccer and US Soccer. US Soccer, along with over 197 other national soccer organizations, are members of FIFA, the Federation Internationale de Football Association. FIFA serves as the international governing body for soccer and US Soccer has been a member since 1913. Together, local, national and international organizations form a family of support for the young soccer players of Cal North.



Boilerplates

About the California Youth Soccer Association (Cal North) – Cal North – “Kids First” is the largest state organization within the US Youth Soccer Association. Cal North registers more than 180,000 players annually, ages 5 to 19, and over 35,000 administrators, coaches and volunteers in 132 member leagues of registration. Cal North is dedicated to assisting parents in developing youth as individuals and not just soccer players in a fun, safe and healthy environment for players at every level of the game. For more information, visit www.cysanorth.org.

Media Request: When referring to the California Youth Soccer Association, the largest youth sports organization in the United States, please refer to the association only as Cal North or California Youth Soccer Association, and never as CY or Cal Youth Soccer. We appreciate your cooperation.

About California Youth Soccer Association Olympic Development Program (Cal North ODP) - US Youth Soccer ODP, established in 1977, is the original Olympic development program in the United States. Formed to identify a pool of players in each age group from which a National Team could be selected for international competition, selected players are exposed to the nation's top coaches from collegiate institutions, U.S. Soccer and the professional leagues. Programs exist in each state and with competitions such as the US Youth Soccer ODP Championships, Interregional Training/Competition, Regional Camps and International play. Cal North ODP continues to lead the way in elite player identification and development. Cal North ODP is part of US Youth Soccer ODP, an approved program of the U.S. Soccer Federation.

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About the California Youth Soccer Association Cup Series

the Cal North Cup Series provides the more than 15,000 teams from Cal North’s 128 Leagues of Registration the opportunity to showcase their abilities against the best in Cal North while emphasizing teamwork, discipline and fair play. The annual competition begins with over 188,000 players in the different levels of Play. State Champions are crowned in four categories; The Premier State Cup, the Presidents Cup, The Association Cup and The Founders’ Cup. Overall the Cal North Series provides the appropriate competition level for our recreational, select, and competitive teams.

Media Request: When referring to the Cal North Cup Series, the most prestigious events in Northern California please refer to the event as California Youth Soccer Association Cup Series on first reference and Cal North Cup Series on anything thereafter. Never refer to as CY Cup Series, CY Cups, or CYSA Cups. Individual Cups may be referred to as Cal North State Cup or State Cup, Cal North Presidents Cup or Presidents Cup, Cal North Association Cup or Association Cup, Cal North Founders’ Cup or Founders’ Cup. Never refer to as CY Name Cup. We appreciate your cooperation.

About Cal North - Cal Soccer League - Formed in 2010, the Cal North - Cal Soccer League was developed as a path of advancement for the top teams in Cal North. In addition to meaningful matches, development and identification, the league created a direct path for top soccer teams in Northern California to play at the highest possible level week in week out. We firmly believe this will become a magnet for college coaches and scouts throughout the country. The Cal North- Cal Soccer League (CCSL) is the only league that offers teams the opportunity to play in a state wide league top level premier division if that team so desires, or the option to play locally. The league is open to all competitive (Division 1 and Division 3) soccer teams aged U9 –U19. Learn more at www.calsoccerleague.org

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