



What is Twin Cities Soccer League (TCSL)?

TCSL is a league dedicated to a positive game-day environment, progressive soccer and balanced competition. 24 Metro soccer clubs currently plan to participate in TCSL. TCSL is run by independent, dedicated and experienced Minnesota soccer people. Want to know more about the league from the league? Visit Twin Cities Soccer Leagues <u>HERE</u>.

Is Lakeville Soccer Club (LSC) leaving Minnesota Youth Soccer Association (MYSA)?

No. LSC is not leaving MYSA. This spring we plan to submit most, if not all of our U9-U14 teams to play in TCSL. Our U15-U19 teams will continue to play in MYSA as TCSL does not have a league for those ages this spring. Teams will be submitted to TCSL or MYSA based on the other committed clubs broken down by the age group, level of play and gender.

Why did TCSL form?

TCSL was formed alongside ambitious clubs looking to work together to ensure the most progressive and dynamic developmental model for their members. Working together for clubs is the future of youth soccer and LSC intends to continue to be a leader in Minnesota soccer.

Why is TCSL sanctioned by US Club Soccer?

US Club Soccer is a respected national organization run by soccer professionals for soccer clubs. TCSL has no relation to the US Club Super League, except in the sanctioning body. For more information about US Club Soccer see <u>HERE</u>

Is TCSL only for elite teams?

No. The league is designed for all levels of play and all ages. The design should be equally beneficial for teams at every level of play.

Is the TCSL concept a new model?

No. This is a common model in other states. 47 states have leagues run by organizations other than the state governing body (MYSA equivalents). Other

long standing, successful leagues with the same format include NorCal Premier and the Northern Illinois Soccer League.

Will my fees increase if my team joins TCSL?

No. Fees are similar, but slightly lower for TCSL compared to MYSA.

Why did LSC decide to participate in the TCSL?

-More levels of play for more balanced and competitive games.

-Decisions and rules are made and changed by consensus of all member club Director of Coaching (DOC) staff or club soccer experts.

-Eliminate extensive state wide travel, especially burdensome on school nights in the spring.

-Improved scheduling plan which eliminates the rescheduling shuffle at the start of every season.

-Includes a balanced and meaningful Winter league for interested clubs and teams.

-Promotes sportsmanship and a positive soccer environment not just for LSC, but for the whole league.

-TCSL with US Club Soccer provide a better elite player selection process (no extra fees to participate), run at a better time to minimize player and team conflicts (run in the Winter) and has a direct link to the US National teams.

-More efficient use of the summer soccer season. Games will be better spaced throughout the season, league playoffs will be completed in one long weekend rather than over multiple weeks. State Cup will be condensed from the current 4-5 weekend format.