2012 St. Louis College Showcase
Tournament Format and Rules

The St. Louis College Showcase is being established to promote recruiting opportunities for players within the organization. College Coaches within the Region will be invited to attend the St. Louis College Showcase weekend designated for this event.

Entry Fee

- **$595.00 per team**
- **$45.00 for individual at large player registration with current 2011-2012 player pass**
- **$60.00 for individual at large player registration that need to register for the 2011-2012 seasonal year.**

Team Acceptance

- **The St. Louis College Showcase reserves the right to accept and reject any team application.**
- **No team shall be deemed accepted unless written/email notification has been sent from the Showcase tournament director.**
- **Once accepted by the St. Louis College Showcase committee the application fee is non-refundable.**
- **Accepted teams are required to have laminated US Youth Soccer player passes and notarized medical release forms.**
- **All groups are created based on information provided on the application, and with the tournament committee's knowledge of teams in order to provide balanced competition for all participants.**
- **The tournament committee reserves the right to combine age groups and/or levels of play where appropriate. In the event that groups are combined all impacted teams will be notified and given the opportunity to add players accordingly.**

At Large Player Acceptance

Individual players looking to participate in the event can apply and will be assigned to a team. At large teams will be organized for the event or players will be placed on teams that are looking for additional players.

Roster & Player Documentation

Location: Information will be posted on the website – slysa.org
Requirement for check in:

- **Team check in should be done 2 hours before your first game at the SLYSA Complex office.**
- **Teams must present a state approved roster for the current seasonal year 2011-2012 or the St Louis College Showcase tournament roster.**
- **Laminated 2011-2012 player passes.**
- **Notarized Medical Release forms.**
- **Approved guest player forms.**
- **Proof of permission to travel (if applicable).**

Guest Players

Unlimited guest players will be permitted per team with properly completed guest/loan player forms. All guest players must have their 2011-2012 laminated player pass.

Player Age & Eligibility

Age Group	Max Roster Size	Max # of Guest Players
U15	18	unlimited
U16	22	unlimited
U17/U18	22	unlimited

Team Responsibilities

- **The team listed first on the schedule is the home team.**
- **Home team must wear white or light colored jerseys. If a conflict occurs while the home team has the designated color, the visitors must change; otherwise the home team shall change.**
- **Coaches and Players will occupy the same side of the field in designated areas while Spectators will sit on the opposite side.**

Player Credentials and Uniforms

- **Player picture passes are to be presented and available at all matches.**
- **The tournament official will check all player passes prior to every match.**
- **The number on the player's jersey must be the same as the player's number listed on the game card.**

Laws of the Game

- **All matches will be played in accordance with FIFA, US Youth Soccer and Missouri Youth Soccer laws, except where specifically modified by tournament rules.**
- **Length of the games will be 45 minute halves with a running clock and a 5 minute halftime break.**
- **After five (5) minute grace period the running clock will start. In order to start a match; seven (7) players must be present.**
- **Injury time-referees will be instructed not to add time to a game except in the most extenuating of circumstances.**
- **Substitutions – Free substitution will be allowed on the fly at the coach's discretion as long as it does not disrupt the flow of play.**
- **Player equipment**
    - **All players must wear shin guards during all matches. Players not in compliance will be cautioned and sent off until the requirement is met.**
    - **No jewelry may be worn during the competition.**
    - **Players wearing hard orthopedic casts will not be allowed to play if it is determined to be a risk to other players by the referee.**
    - **Players with a cast must obtain SLYSA Showcase athletic trainers and game referee's approval prior to each match to participate.**
    - **Players shall wear approved cleats.**
    - **The jersey of all players, except the goalkeeper, must contain a visible number, unique from the other members of the same team. This number must be the same number listed on the match line-up card.**

Showcase and Match Schedules

- **All teams will be guaranteed three games.**
- **No teams shall play more than two games on the same day.**
- **All matches shall use federation certified referees. Three man referee system will be used on all matches.**

Protests

No protests will be allowed. All judgment decisions of the referees are final and binding. The tournament directors reserve the right to decide all matters pertaining to the tournament and those decisions are final.

Conduct

Players receiving a red or two yellow cards in a game, and coaches that are ejected in a match are automatically banned from their team's next tournament game. Any coach who is involved with multiple teams and who is ejected from a game must leave the complex until the game involving the ejection is completed. They are not allowed at that team's next game, but may return to the complex during the suspension time and attend the games of the other teams to which they are rostered or carded. Violations deemed of a serious nature may require further disciplinary action such as banning further tournament play. The Tournament Director in consultation with the Referee Coordinator will decide this. All disciplinary measures imposed by the Tournament Director and the Referee Coordinator shall be limited to placing restrictions upon an individual's participation in the tournament.

Spectator/Coaching Area

Players and coaches shall occupy the same side of the field. The home team (listed first on the schedule) has the choice of which half of the field to occupy. All players and coaches must remain near the intersection of the touchline and the halfway line on their side of the field. All spectators must occupy the other side of the field opposite their players and coaches. Players, coaches, and spectators must remain at least two yards behind the touchline. All players, coaches, and spectators must remain between the 18-yard and midfield lines on their side of the field. Coaches are responsible for the conduct of spectators with their team. All players, coaches and spectators are expected to conduct themselves in a sportsmanlike manner. Dissent will not be tolerated.

Refund Policy

- **If the event is cancelled entirely because of weather, SLYSA will refund 75% of the application fee.**
- **If teams play 1 game, SLYSA will refund 50% of the application fee.**
- **If teams play 2 games, SLYSA will refund 25% of the application fee.**

- **Every attempt will be made to have all matches played. However, the safety of the players, referees, coaches and spectators is the tournament's primary concern followed by the fairness to the affected teams and the completion of the showcase. Therefore, the showcase committee and complex supervisor's decisions are final and not subject to appeal.**