



2011 NIRSA NCCS National Soccer Championships November 17-19 ~ Phoenix, Arizona

The 2011 NIRSA NCCS National Soccer Championships are excited to return to [Reach 11 Sports Complex](#) in Phoenix, Arizona and expect to see excellent competition in all divisions. Teams are listed at the end of the newsletter.

Tournament Schedule—The tournament schedule will be posted by November 10th. Any changes to that schedule will be updated and provided to you onsite in Phoenix. 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 Championship will begin at 1 pm on Saturday, Women's CHAMPIONSHIP at 3 pm and Men's CHAMPIONSHIP at 5 pm.

http://www.nirsa.org/Content/NavigationMenu/Sports/Soccer/NIRSA_Soccer_Sport_.htm

Team Check-in—Check-in is on Wednesday, Nov. 16th from **5:00-7:00pm** in the foyer outside of the ballroom at the Embassy Suites Phoenix North, 2577 West Greenway Road in Phoenix, Arizona. Only **one person** from each team needs to check in the team. If you **cannot** make registration on Wednesday night please call Valerie McCutchan at the NIRSA National Office (541) 766-8211 x-15 or email valerie@nirsa.org by **Thursday, Nov. 10** 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)
- [Waiver](#) signed by all participants
- [Code of conduct](#) signed by all participants
- Cell number for player representative
- Hotel information for team

Player Forms—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. Please read the "Player Code of Conduct" form carefully and have each team member sign the form.

Coaches Meeting—All coaches/team reps are required to attend this meeting on Wednesday, November 16 at 7:00 pm in the Ballroom – Salon A,B,C of the Embassy Suites Phoenix North. It will last about one hour and important updates and guidelines will be discussed.

Roster Additions—Emailed to Valerie@nirsa.org, you will be emailed a Player Certification Form for added players. **No adds to your roster will be accepted after Nov. 11**. Additions to your original roster after Nov. 3 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. **Bring your photo ID to every game.**

Fields—All fields are located at the Reach 11 Sport Complex, 2425 East Deer Valley Road. [Area map and driving directions](#). Tournament Desk will be on the west side this year.

Tournament Balls—The balls used for the tournament will be Molten Soccer Balls. Click [here](#) for a special offer from Molten.

Tournament Blog and Results—Have friends, family or your school newspaper follow [the blog](#) and daily results of the championships on the [NIRSA website](#).

At the Championships—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.

Team Uniforms – 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.

Dropping from the tournament – 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 refunds of entry fee. Teams that cancel after Nov. 8 will receive a 1 year sanction. Teams that do NOT show up for scheduled games will receive a 2 year sanction.

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). Phoenix generally has nice weather during the month of November; however, rain may cause delays, modifications to format and possible cancellation of the tournament. There are NO back-up fields. Sunday **may be** used as a make-up day if needed.

T-shirts/Programs—Long-sleeved 100% cotton T-shirts and a dri fit T-shirt with a 4 color design will be on sale throughout the championships for \$18/\$18 as well as tournament programs/schedules for \$3 near the tournament headquarter area. To pre-order shirts that can be picked up at check-in contact Amanda at nirsasports@nirsa.org with shirt sizes and what type.

Concessions—Concessions will be sold the duration of the tournament. In addition, there are several restaurants near the hotels and 2 miles 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.

Contact Information—Any questions regarding the championships can be answered by phoning Valerie McCutchan at the NIRSA National Office at (541) 766-8211 x-15. **Starting Nov. 14th** Val can be reached via the NIRSA cell phone (541) 740-1342.

Rental Car- NIRSA is working with [Enterprise Rental Cars](#) to have cars/vans available at the Phoenix Airport. Enterprise is one of the companies that rents to people under 25 years old. **If you want to reserve a minivan contact jill.a.longfellow@ehi.com the online system won't allow you to reserve if you are under 25.**

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

Awards— 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
- Women's Championship – immediately following the championship match
- Men's Open Division – half time of the Men's Championship Division match
- Women's Open – half time of the Women's Championship Division match

Referees—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.

Transportation—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.

Practice—The fields will available for practice from 2 pm – 7 pm on Wed., Nov. 16. Please email [Amanda](#) to reserve a field. Check-in at the tournament desk on the west side of the Reach 11 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.

Official Photographer- Alan Poizner and his team of photographers with [ClubSoccerPhotos.com](http://www.clubsoccerphotos.com) 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: <http://www.clubsoccerphotos.com/> Please visit the site for complete details, or feel free to email alan@clubsoccerphotos.com for more photo information.

Teams for 2011 NIRSA NCCS National Soccer Championships

Men's Championship (24)

Region 1	Penn State University
Region 1	University of Connecticut
Region 1	University of Delaware
Region 2	University of Florida
Region 2	University of Georgia
Region 2	University of North Carolina
Region 3	Michigan State University
Region 3	Northwestern University
Region 3	The Ohio State University
Region 4	Texas State University
Region 4	University of Missouri
Region 4	The University of Texas at Austin "A"
Region 5	Colorado State University
Region 5	University of Colorado "Gold"
Region 5	University of Minnesota
Region 6	University of Arizona
Region 6	University of California – Berkeley "A"
Region 6	Weber State University
at-large	Cal Poly –SLO "A"
at-large	Indiana University
at-large	Navy
at-large	Texas A&M University
at-large	University of California – Santa Barbara
at-large	University of Michigan

Women's Championship (24)

Region 1	Penn State University
Region 1	University of Delaware
Region 1	University of Pittsburgh
Region 2	University of Florida
Region 2	University of Virginia
Region 2	Virginia Tech University
Region 3	Indiana University
Region 3	Michigan State University
Region 3	The Ohio State University
Region 4	Texas Christian University
Region 4	The University of Texas at Austin
Region 4	Washington University
Region 5	Colorado School of the Mines
Region 5	Colorado State University
Region 5	University of Colorado "Gold"
Region 6	Cal Poly
Region 6	University of Arizona
Region 6	University of California – Santa Barbara
At-large	Cornell University
At-large	Marquette University
At-large	San Diego State University
At-large	UCLA
At-large	University of Michigan
At-large	University of North Carolina

Men's Open Division (16)

Cal Poly –SLO "B"
Colorado School of Mines
Kennesaw State University
Northeastern University
Northern Arizona University
San Diego State University
SUNY Cortland
UCLA
University of California - Irvine
University of California – Santa Cruz
University of California – San Diego
University of Colorado "Black"
University of Southern California
University of Pennsylvania
The University of Texas at Austin "B"
Villanova University

Women's Open Division (16)

Arizona State University
James Madison University
Kennesaw State University
Middle Tennessee State University
Northeastern University
Northern Arizona University
Salt Lake Community College
SUNY Cortland
University of California- Berkeley
University of Colorado "Black"
University of Illinois
University of Missouri
University of Oregon
University of Southern California
Vanderbilt University
Villanova University

