

## Process for Club Approval & Next Level Opportunities

1. An Association Partnership Committee (the UHSAA/UYSAA Committee) has been established to manage the applications of soccer Academies/Clubs wishing to have teams and/or players eligible to participate in the partnership program between UHSAA and UYSA which permits players from high school soccer teams to compete with Academy/Club teams during the high school season (the "Partnership Program"). Academies/Clubs wishing to participate in the Partnership Program must meet basic criteria designed to enhance the programs available to players and reduce erroneous applications, thereby reducing the chances of abuse.

2. This is a (2) step process:

### (Step #1)

- A. Clubs must complete the power-point presentation listed below. Once the power-point is complete, the academy/club will submit the required documentation to the Utah Youth Soccer Association, who will present the request to the UHSAA/UYSAA committee for approval. Clubs must be approved by the UHSAA/UYSAA Committee before a request is submitted to attend Next Level Opportunities. Approved Clubs will be listed and updated on the soccer page of the UHSAA website. [UHSAA.org](http://UHSAA.org)

### **REQUIREMENTS FOR CLUB APPROVAL**

The following can be in PowerPoint format, written format, or a combination of both.

- i. What is the History of the club?
  - a. How long has the club been in existence, and what are some of the recent accomplishments for the club, and for the coaches/players:
  - b. Explain your club's history of creating next level players:
  - c. Explain your club's history of creating, or being invited to next level opportunities:
- ii. Is the club "Registered, Recognized, and in good Standing with UYSA"? What has your partnership been with the UYSA?
  - a. Give some background on your relationship with the UYSA:
- iii. What is the legal status of your club team?
  - a. 501 (c): Explain?
  - b. Is your club for-profit: Explain?
  - c. Is your club non-profit: Explain?
  - d. What kind of "Board of Directors" or oversight does your club have: Explain?
- iv. Please share any other information you feel would be beneficial to the UHSAA/UYSAA Committee that would help us make a decision on behalf of your club:
  - a. General club philosophy, coaches certification/licensing, relationship with UHSAA schools/districts, future goals, any other points of interest or clarifications.

### (Step #2):

- B. Once the club has been approved by the UHSAA/UYSAA Committee, the club can then request attendance at up to two Next Level Opportunities (NLO) by filling out the Approved Club Team Next Level Opportunity form and submitting the form to the UHSAA/UYSAA Committee to determine if the NLO meets the requirements. This request for Next Level Opportunities must be submitted at least thirty (30) days in advance of the NLO. Once the NLO has been approved, each player on the club team must complete individual paperwork for **EACH NLO**. Paperwork must be submitted to the UHSAA for final approval. High School Soccer players are "**NOT**" allowed to play in any club soccer tournament during the soccer season that hasn't been approved. If a soccer player participates in a non-approved tournament, the student becomes ineligible for post season play. Approved Next Level Opportunities will be listed and updated on the soccer page of the UHSAA website. [UHSAA.org](http://UHSAA.org)



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## Next Level Opportunity Showcase Club Request

To whom it may concern:

This letter is to inform you that \_\_\_\_\_ Soccer Club has been selected to play in the following event:

Competition: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

We request the opportunity for our club team to participate in this next level opportunity, in compliance with the Interps & Guidelines 1.12.1 of the Limited Team Membership rule, on page 40 of the UHSAA Handbook.

We certify that our club team has been officially recognized and certified by the UHSAA/UYSAs as a qualified and vetted club through the official process, to be able to request this event.

Listed below are the names of the students who will be involved in the next level opportunity, if approved by the UHSAA/UYSAs committee.

Name	School	Grade

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### Signatures

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Club Coach

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Club Coach

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Club Representative

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Club Representative

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of UHSAA Representative

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of UHSAA Representative



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## Next Level Opportunity Showcase Player Request

To whom it may concern:

This letter is to inform you that \_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_ High School,  
that plays for \_\_\_\_\_ Soccer Club Team, has been selected to play in the following event:

Competition: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

This event is in accordance with Article 1, Section 12, page 40 of the UHSAA Handbook under Limited Team Membership, which states the following:

Student athletes may be granted two (2) exceptions to the Limited Team Membership Rule in order to participate with their club (or similar team in non-Olympic sports) team if the following conditions are met:

1. The club team has been approved and verified by the UYSA/UHSAA soccer committee.
2. Student obtains written permission contract signed by the player, parent/guardian, high school coach high school principal and club coordinator/coach.
3. Team shall be selected and UHSAA advised at least thirty (30) days prior to competition.
4. Any missed academic lessons are completed.
5. No post season games are missed.
6. This form is submitted to the UHSAA for approval

**Submit form to UHSAA by email to: [bjackson@uhsaa.org](mailto:bjackson@uhsaa.org)**

### Signatures

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Player

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Player

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Parent/Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent/Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Club Coordinator/Coach

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Signature of Club Coordinator/Coach

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of High School Coach

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of High School Coach

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Printed Name of High School Principal

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of High School Principal

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Printed Name of UHSAA Representative

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Signature of UHSAA Representative