



RE: COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE

LEXINGTON, KY (March 13, 2020) - As everyone is aware, the COVID-19 Virus (Coronavirus) and its impact on all our local communities is front and center of our attention right now. It continues to be a very fluid situation and will continue to evolve in the coming days and weeks. The safety of all our members continues to be our primary focus.

That being said, in order to assist with the on-going effort to assess the impact and combat COVID-19;

- Kentucky Youth Soccer Board of Directors voted unanimously to suspend all state-run activities (Kentucky Premier League, 9U Academy, ODP and Coaching Education) through and including April 5, 2020. Kentucky Youth Soccer will continue to monitor the COVID-19 virus and may be extended at a later time if deemed necessary.
- Kentucky Youth Soccer Board of Directors voted unanimously to **strongly recommend** all member clubs to temporarily suspend all in-person soccer and related activities through and including April 5, 2020, with such recommendation and/or time period being subject to later change by the Board of Directors

All other club activities, including tournaments and team training, should review above and assess a course of action on a case-by-case basis. Any unaffiliated games will not be covered by Kentucky Youth Soccer insurance company.

Kentucky Youth Soccer is taking these steps in a coordinated effort along with US Youth Soccer and US Soccer who have taken similar measures. This decision has been made in accordance with the guidance of public health and medical professionals as well as the ongoing acceleration of the coronavirus in communities from which our soccer families reside. As the number of State emergencies increases, we have decided to exercise caution in the interest of our soccer family.

At this time, Kentucky Youth Soccer is planning on running our spring programming. This includes KPL, 9U Academy, State Open Cup, Presidents Cup, Soccer Village Cup, Kentucky American Cup, ODP and Coaching Education. You are encouraged to continue to register for our events through the appropriate deadlines.

The Kentucky Youth Soccer State Office will be closed to all visitors through April 3, 2020. The best way to reach staff will be through email. If you try to reach Kentucky Youth Soccer staff via telephone, please leave a voicemail as some of the staff may be working remotely.

It is critical that all of our members are aware of the most current and accurate information regarding Kentucky Youth Soccer related activities as events unfold in the coming days and weeks. This can be found on our website at www.kysoccer.net and social media channels: [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

We truly appreciate everyone's understanding and flexibility during these unprecedented times.

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