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| **Summer State Tournament Qualifiers (July 13 – 19)**  Good luck to the 5 WYSA teams participating in the State Qualifiers this weekend. Final schedules will be posted by Wednesday July 12. If we can, let’s support all WYSA teams when the location and game times allow. Teams initial games are as follows (this is subject to change):  U12 Boys: Saturday (7/15) at 6pm at Shakopee U16 Girls: Saturday (7/15) at 4pm at Fairmont  U15 Boys: Friday (7/14) at 7pm at Shakopee U19 Girls: TBD  U19 Boys: Friday (7/14) at 5pm at Shakopee |
| **Get to know your WYSA coaches**  This week, we will get to know some more about Oscar Uribe, WYSA U12 Boys coach.   1. What are the 3 most important qualities that you coach into your teams? *My team uses the moto REAL = Respect + Effort + Attitude = Leadership. We work hard at respecting all, giving our best effort and having a great attitude. All combined help us be better leaders. We are working to be the best on the field and off the field.* 2. Where are the worst fields your team has played and why? *Many of the fields that I played on in Mexico are just dirt with no grass at all. It is hard fast game that forces you to improve your ball control.* 3. Your one piece of advice to players taking a PK? *Imagine there are two goals and the goalie is standing in the middle. Pick the left or right goal and be decisive. Forget about the goalie and the goal because you already know where they are. Keep you eyes on the ball until you make contact with it.* 4. Describe a memorable game or event that you participated in as a player or coach?*The games that I am most proud of are when the team does not give up and plays hard to the end.* 5. Your favorite post game food place to eat after an away game? *Growing up it was* *Burger Boy in Mexico* 6. Grass or turf? *Short wet grass that allows the ball to move freely and fast.* 7. What is your favorite Tournament? *For kids I really like the USA Cup in Blaine and the opportunity for them to make international friends.  For adults there is nothing better than the World Cup.* 8. Your pet hate as a coach? *When a player gives up during the play.* 9. What is your favorite team? *Chivas from Guadalajara Mexico* 10. Your #1 piece of soccer advice to any player? *All it takes to have the dream and the passion to achieve your dream* |
| **Schwan’s USA Cup**  Half of the WYSA coaches have said that the USA Cup is their favorite tournament – for information go to [USA Cup](http://www.usacup.org/%20). The 2017 competition is taking place in a few days – USA Cup Weekend from July 14 to 16; USA Cup from July 18 to 22. There are 1268 teams registered from 15 different countries – watch teams from Vasteras (Sweden), Calatayud (Spain), Shanghai (China) or Sao Paulo (Brazil). Players can play in the USA Cup by registering as a guest player – encourage your players to do this; they will have a fantastic experience ([USA Cup Guest Player Program](http://www.usacup.org/page/show/1551468-guest-player-program)). If you or your players have time, go to the USA Cup for a day to learn, watch and experience an international soccer tournament – bring sunscreen and a hat because it is always hot and there is no shade in Blaine! |