



Texas "Blue Chip" Showcase



Dear Club Coaches and Managers,

The Texas Soccer Club invites your team to apply for the opportunity to participate in the **Texas "Blue Chip" Showcase** to be held February 9th & 10th, 2008. This event will take place at Meyer Park, in Spring (Houston), Texas. This event provides the opportunity for you to showcase your Senior, Junior, and Sophomore Players.

This showcase is limited to U16, U17, & U18/19 Boys Teams. We will have coaches representing NCAA DIV I, II, III, & NAIA programs. Each College/University coach who attends the event will be provided with a player resume book detailing each player's academic and athletic data.

Format - Each team will play a total of 3 - 80 minute exhibition matches. The exhibition format will allow players to perform in their normal role without the added pressure of trying to win the tournament. Pairings are formed with teams that are as equal in strength as possible so as to provide for competitive games and allow players the best opportunity to display their soccer skills. In order to comply with NCAA recruiting rules, points will be awarded for each game to determine a bracket winner, but no awards will be presented.

Team Requirements - Each U17, U18, and U19 team is allowed a maximum of 22 players with unlimited guest players on their roster. However, only 18 players will be allowed to participate in each game. Those players must be identified on the game card prior to the start of each game and will be the only players allowed on the team bench. Each U16 team is allowed a maximum of 18 players with unlimited guest players on their roster. All roster changes must be cleared with the hosting committee in advance of registration. Guest players must be properly registered with their state associations. 2007/2008 Player ID Cards & Medical Release Forms for all players will be required & verified at registration. All teams and players must be in good standing with their local and state associations to be eligible. This tournament is sanctioned by USYSA. Therefore, all USYSA teams must obtain permission to travel from the appropriate state/national association if traveling from outside of South Texas (STYSA). **All Applications must be received by January 9, 2008.** The Host committee will notify selected teams by January 15, 2008. (Note: Invitation only teams will be granted early acceptance if application and fees are received by December 31, 2007.)

Eligibility - The tournament committee will select teams based on each individual team's past playing history and competitiveness. Please provide accurate and up to date information regarding your team's playing history. Teams will not be considered for acceptance until an application with entry fee is received.

Hotels - **Teams must stay in Texas "Blue Chip" designated hotels or they will not be allowed to play in this showcase.** Rooms are available at Special Showcase rates at designated hotels in the area and hotel information will be available on the website.

Other Important Information - Instructions for completing player profiles, schedules, field maps, hotel information, and all other pertinent information regarding the weekend's events will be made available at www.texassoccerclub.org shortly.

We are looking forward to having your team be a part of the Texas "Blue Chip" Showcase. If you should have any questions please get in touch with one of the contacts listed below.

Contacts -

Paula Betts, Tournament Director, 979-830-7968, (e-mail- bluechipshowcase@gmail.com)
Scott Dymond, Director of Training, 281-376-6201, (e-mail- scottdymond@comcast.net)





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2008 Showcase Application

Official Team Name: _____ Age Group: U16 U17 U18/19
Club Association: _____ League Association: _____ State Association: _____

Coach Name: _____ E-mail address: _____
Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____
Day Phone: _____ Night Phone: _____ Fax Phone: _____

Manager Name: _____ E-mail address: _____
Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____
Day Phone: _____ Night Phone: _____ Fax Phone: _____

Who do you want us to correspond with for this event (Circle only one): **Coach** **Manager**

Team Competitive Information

League Play (most recent season) – Year _____ Level of Play: Premier, Div I, Div II, Other _____
W _____ L _____ T _____ Final Standing _____ # of Teams Competing _____

2006 State Cup - W _____ L _____ T _____ Final Standing _____ # of Teams Competing _____
Advancement Beyond State Cup – _____

Tournament Record (please list your most recent competitive tournament results)

Tournament _____	City/State _____	W _____	L _____	T _____	Place _____
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If you have additional information that might help in the team selection process, please attach to application.

The following must be included with this application:

- A copy of your team's most recent State roster.
- Your check for \$700 made payable to the Texas Soccer Club
- In addition, please send any additional information regarding your team's record that would help the tournament committee when consideration your acceptance.

Please note that the Entry Fee is \$700.00 and will not be returned after team acceptance.

Application Deadline is January 9, 2008.

Mail Your Application, State Roster, and Entry Fee of \$700 to:

Texas "Blue Chip" Showcase
Paula Betts
1111 East Stone
Brenham, TX 77833



As the representative of the team completing this application to participate in the Texas "Blue Chip" Showcase Soccer Tournament, I do hereby discharge, waive and release The Texas Soccer Club (Texas S.C., Inc.), its partners, officials, referees, agents, officers, directors, members, and representatives from any claim arising from an injury to a duly registered player, coach or official of this team, and hereby certify that each player, coach and official is covered by approved medical insurance as is required by Youth Soccer State Associations. This team agrees to accept the decisions of the Tournament Director as to the playability and therefore the outcome of the tournament due to adverse weather conditions or other unforeseen circumstances, without any appeal, objection or compensation whatsoever, unless otherwise specified.

Print Name _____ Signature Coach/Manager _____ Date _____



