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To: Schools of USYS Regional Showcase NJ 2024 Participants
From: EDP Soccer
Re: Absence from Class to Attend College Showcase

On behalf of the EDP Soccer College Showcases, we would like to request the release of all affected club players from your school, to participate in the US Youth Soccer Regional Showcase New Jersey Managed by EDP Soccer 2024 scheduled for Saturday and Sunday April 20 & 21 for girls and April 27 & 28 for boys.

The Showcase is traditionally a prominent college recruiting event in the Northeast. We appreciate the importance of a player's education and strive to accommodate the academic calendar as much as possible when planning out and scheduling our yearly event fixtures. However, it may require the participating student athlete to miss all or part of a school day in order to travel to, and compete in the event.

Players participating in our showcase event are exposed to one of the largest concentrations of college coaches in the nation. The USYS Regional Showcase NJ typically attracts over 100 college coaches from throughout the East Coast to evaluate players on over 320 teams drawn exclusively from the high school age groups. Most games are professionally videotaped to form a viewing library for college coaches who cannot attend in person. Many players competing in our showcase expand their college options simply by participating.

While we understand the importance of education, we also believe that sport has its place for many of our participants. We hope you will understand and excuse the absence of any student-athletes from your school on this weekend to allow them to participate in this EDP College Showcase Event.

Please feel free to contact us with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bohdan E. Porytko". The signature is fluid and cursive, written over a light gray rectangular background.

Bohdan Porytko
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