



Welcome to the AYSA U16 Boys League Playoffs!

This document contains information about how teams advance in the playoffs, how to report scores, and other playoff information.

Information on the First Round of Playoffs

Each team in the U16 Boys League will play two first round playoff games. The four teams earning the most points as a result of those games will advance to a Final Four.

Ties are allowed in first round playoff games.

For first round playoff games, the winning team coach should call the game scores to AYSA at 624-1713 immediately after the game is played. Both coaches call if the game ends in a tie. Please leave team names and numbers, age group, score, and which team won. Remember, the sooner you call your score in, the sooner scores will be posted and Final Four pairings can be determined. First round scores will be posted on this website daily and Final Four pairings when they are determined.

The point system used to determine advancement to the Final Four is as follows:

Win = 6

Tie = 3

Shutout Win = 1

Each goal = 1 (max 3 per game)

If teams are tied in points at the end of first round play, the following tiebreakers will determine advancement.

1. Head to head in playoff play
2. Most wins in playoffs
3. Goal differential (goals for minus goals against, max 3 per game)
4. Fewest goals allowed in playoffs
5. Most shutouts in playoffs
6. Most goals in playoff games (max 3 per game)
7. Head to head in regular season
8. Ranking in regular season

Information on the Final Four

In the U16 Boys Division the four teams with the most points after the first round of playoffs will advance to the Final Four. Final Four seeding will be determined by regular season ranking. The highest ranked team that advances to the Final Four will play the lowest ranked team that advances in the first round of the Final Four. The second and third ranked teams that advance will play each other in the first round of the Final Four. Winners of the first Final Four games will play for a championship, while the losing teams will play for third place. If the seeding that is used to determine Final Four opponents is confusing, don't worry. Opponents for the first round of the Final Four will be posted as soon as we receive scores from the first weekend of playoffs.

Ties are not allowed in Final Four games. If tied at the end of regulation time, Final Four games will go to two (2) golden goal five-minute overtime periods. Golden goal means that the game will end immediately after the first overtime goal. Kicks from the penalty spot per FIFA rules will occur if the game is still tied at the end of overtime. The exception to FIFA rules in this situation is that all players will be eligible to be chosen by the coach to kick. Players need not be on the field at the end of overtime.

All Final Four players will receive an AYSA Final Four t-shirt. There will be no additional awards.

General Information

First teams listed on the schedule will provide game ball and change if there is a color conflict in first round and Final Four games. This means your team needs to be prepared with an alternate jersey or pinnies in case of color conflict.

The playoffs are a time when coaches and fans get a little more tense, and can take out their frustrations on our referees. This is a time to be very respectful to all those involved in our games, especially the referees. Please be gentle with our referees, pick up your garbage and leave your dogs at home.

If you have questions, please call the AYSA Office at 218-624-1713 or email info@arrowheadsoccer.com.