

2024-2025 ELMBROOK UNITED USYS NATIONAL LEAGUE ELITE 64 FAQ

Elmbrook United's top select program teams will participate in the USYS National League Elite 64 (E64) platform during the 2024-2025 season. E64 is the top league/platform offered by USYS and includes likeminded clubs who are focused on player development, and providing each young athlete with all the resources needed to reach their potential. Continuing as a member of E64 will set us apart as one of the top clubs in Wisconsin!

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. Which teams will participate in E64?

Both our boys' and girls' U13, U14, U15, U16, U17, and U18/19 elite teams will participate in E64's Midwest Division.

2. Is there any additional cost for players and teams participating in E64?

Registration fees for players on E64 teams include all costs associated with registering for league and event play and related coaches' travel expenses. Players' personal travel expenses will continue to be their responsibility.

3. Are there national events associated with E64?

As members of E64, participating teams are invited to the USYS National League Quarterfinals. Based on performance in the USYS National League Quarterfinals, teams may advance to the USYS National League Semifinals. Based on performance in the USYS National League Semifinals (if qualified), teams can advance directly to the USYS National Championships. The Club's E64 teams will also still participate in the USYS Wisconsin State Championships, which also provide a pathway for advancement to the USYS Midwest Regional Championships and ultimately the USYS National Championships.

4. What type of travel will be required to participate in E64?

Schedules for E64 league play are organized by member club leaders. We will play each Midwest Division club twice, once at home and once away. Therefore, half of our league matches will be hosted in the Brookfield, WI area and half of our league matches will be hosted by our competitor clubs throughout the Midwest. E64 teams play one match per day, and member club leaders attempt to schedule natural travel partners together, where possible.

For example, during the 2023-2024 season, our boys' E64 teams traveled to St. Louis for one weekend where they played both St. Louis area teams, and to Kansas City for one weekend where they played both Kansas City area teams.

As described under #3 above, all E64 teams will participate in the USYS National League Quarterfinals. Based on performance, some E64 teams may advance to the USYS National League Semifinals, and ultimately to the USYS National Championships. In addition, any E64 teams who win the USYS Wisconsin State Championships will qualify for the USYS Midwest Regional Championships where they have yet another opportunity to qualify for the USYS National Championships.

- USYS National League Quarterfinals will take place in Mesa, AZ
- USYS National League Semifinals will take place in Round Rock, TX or Oceanside, CA
- USYS Midwest Regional Championships will take place in Overland Park and Olathe, KS
- The location for the USYS National Championships has not yet been announced, but this event has historically taken place in Orlando, FL

5. How does participation in E64 impact participation in other tournaments and showcases?

Our U13 and U14 E64 teams will participate in at least one regional tournament in each of the fall and spring seasons. Our U15, U16, U17, and U18/19 E64 teams will participate in at least one regional college showcase event during their respective seasons.

6. Does this mean teams participating in E64 will no longer play against local/Wisconsin teams?

Our E64 teams will continue to compete in the USYS Wisconsin State Championships, as well as local winter indoor/futsal leagues. The fall (girls) and spring (boys) seasons will primarily be filled with regional competition.

7. Are there any restrictions on E64 players playing on their high school teams, or with teams in other leagues?

We fully support and encourage our players to represent their high school soccer teams. The E64 season will be scheduled around the boys' and girls' high school seasons, so there will never be a conflict or situation where players are asked to participate in both club and high school soccer programming at the same time.

8. How does elite team participation in E64 impact the select program's premier and classic teams?

Our premier and classic teams will continue to participate in WYSA State League and/or WYSA Southeast Classic League. Premier teams who have the desire and demonstrated ability to play at the regional level may participate in the USYS Midwest Conference team vs. team division.