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Dear League Supervisor/League Level Coordinator;

USBC has made major changes to this year's tournament. The tournament is now ALL scratch in ALL divisions. The number of divisions has been increased and divisions are based solely on the bowler's birthdate. Divisions are as follows:



<input type="checkbox"/> U6 Boys	Bowlers whose birthdate is 8/1/2006 or later	<input type="checkbox"/> U6 Girls
<input type="checkbox"/> U8 Boys	Bowlers whose birthdate is 8/1/2004 thru 7/31/06	<input type="checkbox"/> U8 Girls
<input type="checkbox"/> U12 Boys	Bowlers whose birthdate is 8/1/2000 thru 7/31/04	<input type="checkbox"/> U12 Girls
<input type="checkbox"/> U15 Boys	Bowlers whose birthdate is 8/1/1997 thru 7/31/00	<input type="checkbox"/> U15 Girls
<input type="checkbox"/> U20 Boys	Bowlers whose birthdate is 8/1/1992 thru 7/31/97	<input type="checkbox"/> U20 Girls

Scholarships will be awarded at the STATE LEVEL in ALL divisions. Approximately **\$11,900** in scholarships was awarded in last year's tournament. Make sure your bowlers have their opportunity for this year's scholarships.

The STATE LEVEL champions in the U15 and U20 divisions will receive a paid entry into the 2013 North Pointe Junior Gold Championships conducted July 13-19, 2013 in Detroit, Michigan. A travel stipend will be available to qualifiers. See the State Rules for additional details.

League qualifying will be in accordance with USBC rules included with your league kit. *In case you didn't get the league kit; download the league level handbook from <http://www.bowl.com/pepsiyouth/>. Make sure your bowlers initial the worksheet forms confirming their birth dates, divisions and they are provided with a copy of all level rules.* Qualifying windows for your league qualifying are as follows:

NOVEMBER WINDOW: November 4 - 17, 2012 FEBRUARY WINDOW: January 20 - February 2, 2013

If you need to adjust these dates because of weather or other events at your center, please feel free to do so.

Enclosed are your copies of the format and rules for the STATE LEVEL competition of the 2013 VIRGINIA STATE PEPSI USBC YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS. Also, enclosed is a checklist with the November Qualifiers Form to help you schedule your events and the STATE QUALIFIERS form to list your qualifiers for the STATE LEVEL.

Return the STATE QUALIFIERS Forms (one form per league) and STATE LEVEL fees to me as soon as **possible after the end of the February qualifying period.** **Fees are \$17.00 for Divisions U6 and U8 and \$28.00 for Divisions U12, U15 and U20.** **The STATE LEVEL deadline for submitting qualifiers is March 19, 2013. All entries must be postmarked by March 20, 2013.**

The STATE LEVEL competition will be held at AMF Hanover Lanes, 7317 Bell Creek Road, Mechanicsville, Virginia. Dates will be April 27 and 28; May 4, 5, 11 and 12. Squad times will be 10:00am and 2:00pm each day.

If I can be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to call me.

Sincerely yours,

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