

The Elite Soccer Series (ESS) is offered as an option for U15-19 competitive travel teams to play a reduced, but highly competitive, schedule while juggling the demands of their varsity high school season.

The ESS offers more flexibility and fewer games to help accommodate the players' schedules. It is not uncommon for teams primarily participating in MLS Next, GA, Aspire, ECNL, ECNL-RL, USYS NL, or EDP to participate in ESS during the high school season.

Teams need not be affiliated with NCSL member clubs to participate in ESS. Scheduling is bespoke, with all efforts made to provide highly competitive matches. When appropriate, teams may even play against older or younger teams, depending on the number of registrants and the appropriateness of the competition.

Contact the NCSL Executive Director (execdir@ncsl-soccer.com) for more specific details.