To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the Florida Winter Cup & Showcase, we would like to request the release of all club players, from your school, to participate in the 2023 Florida Winter Cup Showcase. The showcase will be held in Lakewood Ranch, Florida on **Friday**, **December 8th – Sunday**, **December 10th**, **2023**.

We realize the importance of a player's education and strive to accommodate the academic calendar as much as possible when planning and scheduling our yearly event structure. The event begins on Friday and may require the participating student/athletes to miss that Thursday and Friday from school.

Players participating in our showcase are exposed to college coaches from all over the East Coast. Attracting 35-40 college coaches this year, many of the players competing in our showcase, expand their college options by participating in our showcase. In addition to the recruiting exposure, players are also able to take advantage of the several colleges/universities in the area. Offering some of the top schools regionally and nationally, players sometimes choose to visit schools they may not normally have visited.

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 student/athletes from school that Thursday and/or Friday of the Florida Winter Cup Showcase.

Please feel free to contact us with any questions. I can be reached at ryan@smcsoccer.com.

Regards,

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