

## **MISSION STATEMENT / PREAMBLE / DISCLAIMER**

Lake Highlands Girls Classic League is a non-profit female soccer league offering a playing environment focused on the highest level of competition to inspire the development of collegiate, national, and international level soccer players. The league is committed to maintaining excellence in soccer while instilling the values of sportsmanship and fair play.

The highest level of competition and excellence is maintained by limiting admission to the top echelon of the league. Limited admission provides incentive for players and teams to develop to their highest potential. In addition, maintaining excellence at the top level of the league brings success and notoriety at the regional and national level to our teams and players. Enhanced recognition of our teams results in higher-level tournament acceptance and increased number of college opportunities for our players.

The Bylaws and Rules of the Lake Highlands Girls Classic League were written for the benefit of the league and its players. While this document is intended to be comprehensive and thorough, it should be understood that not all situations, circumstances, and events can be anticipated and, therefore covered precisely. Further, it is recognized that on occasion conflicting rules or statements may inadvertently occur. Therefore, it shall be the firm policy of this Executive Board in resolving such conflicts to exercise its authority to override and/or amend these rules and bylaws in keeping with their intent and purpose.

Each person having any responsibility whatsoever for a team either participating in the Girls Classic League or desiring to participate in the Girls Classic League is responsible for reading and knowing these bylaws and rules. In the event charges of infraction of these bylaws and/or rules are made against a player, parent, team, coach, team manager, and/or team representative, claims by said accused person of ignorance of these rules will not be considered a viable defense to said charges. It is each team's responsibility to see to it that each person having any responsibility for the team receives a copy of these rules and bylaws and that copies are made available and read by all of the team's parents and players and/or guardians.

The Lake Highlands Girls Classic League operates as an active playing league within North Texas State Soccer Association, and as such, all participants in the Girls Classic League are responsible for knowing and following all rules of North Texas. Therefore, it is each team's responsibility to obtain a copy of the North Texas State Soccer Association Administrative Rule Book, read the rules, and adhere to them accordingly. The North Texas State Soccer Association Administrative Rule Book is available at the NTSSA office, 1740 S. I-35, Suite 105, Carrollton, TX 75006, 972/323-1323 or on the NTSSA web page: [www.ntxsoccer.org](http://www.ntxsoccer.org).