



BCCSL Division 1 Placement Requirements 2021 Season

The BCCSL has recently decided to reduce the amount of division within the league. Starting in the fall of 2021, we will have the following structure in place, starting with the incoming U13's. All other age groups from U14 and up will be grandfathered and follow the current structure with Metro/Div 1/Div 2/Div 3 until they age out.

Following are the guiding principles for placement in Division 1:

- Club's support of long term player development initiatives and supporting a player pathway
- When determining the placement of teams, we are recommending a pyramid structure as per the following. Clubs must have at least 1 team in each division to support a Division 1 placement:
 - Div 1 – 1 team*
 - Div 2 – 1+ teams
 - Div 3 – 1+ teams

*clubs will have the ability to add a second balanced team within Division 1 provided they have followed the recommended pyramid structure with a larger base within Division 2 and 3.

- Due to the difficulty with Covid, review of current U12 placement for the 2020-21 season has to be considered when placing teams into U13 Div 1. We expect clubs to make responsible decisions.
- Once we get back to normalcy (2022-23 Season), we will be adding the following guidelines to the placement requirements: Proof of Division 1 Level Talent In The Age Group Thru U12
 - To enter a Division 1 team in the intake age of U13 a Club must show to have at least one team in U12 D1 A or D1 B after the U12 Re-Tiering at Christmas Break.
 - If Clubs only have one U12 D1 team and lose some players to BCSPS they may want to strongly consider forgoing a U13 Div 1 team in the age group. IE a U13

Div 1 team roster should primarily consist of approximately 75% or more that played U12 D1A or D1B after U12 Winter Break

- U12 standings will not factor into U13 Div 1 eligibility.
- Exceptions to be made for District Based Div 1 programs. They can apply for entry into U13 Intake if they show to have multiple Clubs on Board that had a history of U12 Div 1 teams in the age group as per above.

Division 1 Additional Information

- No league cap at U13 Intake in total amount of teams
- There will be no tiers within Division 1. Any teams that are not competitive will be moved down to Division 2 at the re-tiering break.
- Successful placement of teams within the BCCSL will ensure good standing within the league and not impact future placement of teams within Division 1.