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Dear League Supervisor/League Level Coordinator;



**Once again, League qualifiers will advance straight to the State Level. Scratch bowlers only advance past the State Level. Please note that the fees have increased to cover the additional costs of bowling. Scholarships will be awarded at the STATE LEVEL in all divisions.**

An estimated **\$11,500** in scholarships will be awarded in this year's tournament. Make sure your bowlers have their opportunity for this year's scholarships.

The 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place STATE LEVEL winners in the *12 & Above Scratch Divisions* will receive a paid entry into the 2012 North Pointe Junior Gold Championships conducted July 14-20, 2012 in Indianapolis, Indiana. 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 bowl.com at <http://www.bowl.com/tournaments/pepsichamp/>. Make sure your bowlers initial the forms confirming their divisions and they are provided with a copy of all level rules.* Qualifying windows for your league qualifying are as follows:

**NOVEMBER WINDOW: November 6 - 19, 2011    FEBRUARY WINDOW: January 22 - February 4, 2012**

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

As a reminder, bowlers ages 12 and above (as of 1 August 2011) **must decide before they bowl, whether they will participate in the scratch or handicap division.** They will bowl in the chosen division in this league during the qualifying period. They may choose a different division in a different league or different qualifying window.

Enclosed are your copies of the format and rules for the STATE LEVEL competition of the 2012 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) *with average verifications* and STATE LEVEL fees to me as soon as **possible after the end of the February qualifying period.** *Fees are \$17.00 for Division 11 & Under and \$28.00 for Division 12 & above bowlers.* **The STATE LEVEL deadline for submitting qualifiers is March 20, 2012. All entries must be postmarked by March 20, 2012.**

The STATE LEVEL competition will be held at AMF Hanover Lanes, 7317 Bell Creek Road, Mechanicsville, Virginia. Dates will be April 21, 22, 28, and 19, and May 5 and 6. 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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