

## INFORMATION BULLETIN

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To: Ontario Soccer; District Membership and Associate Members

CC: Ontario Soccer Board of Directors, Staff

From: Johnny Misley, Chief Executive Officer

**Subject:** New Associate Members

On behalf of the Voting Members of Ontario Soccer, I am writing to announce that at a Special Members Meeting on August 6, 2022, the **Provincial Indoor Soccer League (PISL)** and **Conference of Independent Schools Athletic Association (CIS Ontario)** were approved as Ontario Soccer's 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> Associate (Non Voting) Members.

The **PISL** was established in 2010 with 70 youth aged teams and operated as a program for Ontario Soccer membership by the Ontario Soccer Centre. In the 2021-2022 indoor season the number of teams registered in the league was 172. Ownership of the PISL has now been transferred to DG Sports, long time soccer league management service providers in the greater Toronto area led by Owner/Operator David Gee and Director Melissa McKinnon.

Under new ownership, the PISL will commence its operation in October of 2022. The Ontario Soccer Centre/Ontario Soccer will support and provide close oversight of the PISL throughout its operations, and one representative will occupy a position on its new Board of Directors to ensure long-term continuity and adhere to the governing rules of Ontario Soccer. PISL will be led by a Board of Directors, be governed by its own corporate By-laws and follow the governing rules of Ontario Soccer. For the most up-to-date information about the PISL, please click HERE.

**CIS Ontario** has 47 member schools and was incorporated in 1983. The 47 member schools have founding dates ranging from 1829 to 2002. CIS Ontario is closely affiliated with the Canadian Accredited Independent Schools (CAIS), the national association that accredits the majority of schools. They are also members of the National Association of Independent Schools (U.S.) and the Independent Schools Association Network (U.S.). In addition, CIS Ontario liaise with the Ontario Ministry of Education and The Ontario College of Teachers on behalf of their member schools.

The inter-school sport association within CIS Ontario is the CISAA (CIS athletic association) and 38 of the 47 CIS Ontario member schools participate in the CISAA. CISAA offers an inter-school athletic program representing more than 1,500 school sport teams playing in over 160 leagues across 25 sports. School sport in the CISAA follow the usual academic school year with three seasons of play



starting in September and finishing in June. CISAA is one of the 18 provincial school sport associations within the Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations (OFSAA). For more information, please click <u>HERE</u>.

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