

01 EVENT OVERVIEW

Goalie Wars at SMASH Cup 2026 is a 1v1 single elimination competition to test player's goalkeeping skills vs one another. Goalies will be bracketed by gender and age, with age determined by the current Aug 1st to July 31st definition of soccer years (not by the age of the player's team).

02 LOCATIONS AND TIMES

For younger age groups (U10 to U13) Goalie Wars will be held on Dignity Health Field 2 at the soccer park. U14 and above will be on Red Hawk Field 1.

Start times for the various age groups will be partially dependent on when the last Saturday afternoon SMASH Cup games for the gender/age group are completed. U10 Boys, U10 Girls, U12 Girls and U13 Boys will be the first groups – check-in for these will begin around 6:45pm and competitions will begin at 7:00. Other groups will follow as fields become available. Older groups – U14 and above – will start later, with initial check-ins around 7:45pm and competitions beginning around 8:00.

03 MATCH RULES

01 Each match begins with a flip of a coin. The winner of the coin flip chooses to kick/throw first or defend first.

02 The first player to score 3 goals is the winner.

03 Games will be played for a maximum time of 4 minutes. If the game is tied after 4 minutes, then the golden goal rule applies until one player scores.



04 METHODS OF SCORING

01 Players have a maximum of 4 seconds from when they get on their feet to attempt a shot.

02 Players may kick, throw or punt to try and score on their opponent.

03 Players may put the ball on the ground in preparation for a shot but may not pick it up again after putting it down. Players may approach the mid-line with the ball in hand or on the ground, but the 4-second rule applies during the approach.

04 Corner kicks and throw-ins will be begin with the player starting from their goal line. After the ball is placed or received on the goal line, the 4-second count begins.

05 PRIZES

Prizes will be given to 1st and 2nd place finishers in each gender/age group.

06 REFEREE DECISION

The referee's work is always final!

07 SPORTSMANSHIP

Remember, this is a fun event to compete against other players in the tournament. Please be respectful and show sportsmanship to our opponents and officials.