Date: September 2026
To: Proprietors, coordinators and youth bowling coaches
Re: WI USBC Youth Scratch Championships presented by SMART
From: Patrick Brettingen, Tournament Manager

The Bowling Centers Association of Wisconsin (BCAW) is proud to once again administer the USBC Youth Scratch Championships presented by SMART (formerly the WI Pepsi USBC Youth Championships).

While the tournament has a new name, the structure remains the same — league-level qualifying, regional tournaments and the state championships. State champions will continue to earn spots in the Junior Gold Championships.

Tournament divisions for both boys and girls are U8, U10, U12, U14, U16 and U18. In Wisconsin, bowlers in U8 and U10 will compete through the regional level, while U12–U18 divisions will advance to the state championships.

Complete rules and required forms are available at bowlwi.com. Please ask all coaches and bowlers to review.

NEW FOR 2026–27: Bowlers advancing from the league level to the regional level, along with their entry fees, will now be entered online through a portal specific to their assigned regional. The league coordinator is responsible for entering the advancing bowlers, selecting squad times and submitting payment by credit card. Regional tournament entry fee for all six divisions will be $40.

IMPORTANT NOTES:

- Coaches: If you are no longer actively coaching at your center, please notify the center so materials can be directed appropriately. If you would like information sent directly to you, provide your home address on the entry forms; otherwise, all information will be sent to your center.

Proprietors: If you receive materials and are not the youth coach, please make sure they are given to the correct person.

KEY DATES & DEADLINES:

- **September 30, 2026 –** Distribute materials to youth coach/person running youth bowling.

- **October 10, 2026 –** Update your BLS system; confirm divisions are correct.

- **October 31 – November 14, 2026** – First round of league-level qualifying. No pre/post bowling scores are eligible. Notify bowlers/parents one week prior and distribute tournament rules. Bowlers who qualify for the regional level may be awarded a "Certificate of Achievement," available to print from the tournament website bowlwi.com.

- **December 11, 2026** – Regional advancer entries and payments from the first round must be submitted in the online portal for your assigned regional.
  - League coordinator responsibility: Enter each advancing bowler's information and selected squad time in the regional portal and submit the $40 entry fee by credit card. Make sure all information is complete and correct, including name, squad choice and date of birth.

- **January 2 –16, 2027** – Second round of league-level qualifying. No pre/post bowling scores are eligible. Notify bowlers/parents one week prior and distribute tournament rules. Bowlers who qualify for the regional level may be awarded a "Certificate of Achievement," available to print from the tournament website bowlwi.com.

- **February 12, 2027 –** Regional advancer entries and payments from the second round must be submitted in the online portal for your assigned regional. No additional entries will be accepted after this date.
  - League coordinator responsibility: Enter each advancing bowler's information and selected squad time in the regional portal and submit the $40 entry fee by credit card. Make sure all information is complete and correct, including name, squad choice and date of birth.

- **April 3–4 and April 10–11, 2027 –** Regional tournaments conducted. See the regional schedule on bowlwi.com.

- **May 2, 2027 –** WI USBC Youth Scratch Championships State Tournament held at Dale's Weston Lanes, Weston.

- **July 10–17, 2027 –** Junior Gold Championships, Indianapolis, Indiana.

ENTRY FEES:

- All divisions: $40 per advancing entry
- Fee includes participation through the state finals. Entry fees are paid online by credit card through the regional portal.

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