

Cougars Prepare for Open Cup Match

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The Cougars will play San Francisco's California Victory in a US Open Cup match on Tuesday, June 12th. California Victory (1-4-2) is a United Soccer League (USL) First Division team. This is the second consecutive year that BYU (4-1-1) has qualified to represent the Northwest Division in the Open Cup. The Open Cup is a tournament that consists of the best soccer competition in the country. It gives teams from lower divisions like the Premier Development League (PDL) an opportunity to play against Major League Soccer (MLS) teams.

"This is a great opportunity for our program to become more recognized throughout the country," BYU head coach Chris Watkins said. "This is a result of the hard work our players have been putting into improving their skills on the field."

The Lamar Hunt US Open Cup is the oldest cup competition in the United States, dating back to 1914. The winner of the US Open Cup will take home prize money and will compete against cup winners in other countries.

The game is set for 7:30 p.m. at BYU's South Field. BYU will play two more home games this weekend against the Tacoma Tide on Friday and the Abbotsford Rangers on Saturday. Both games start at 7:30. Ticket prices are \$6 for adults and \$5 for students and children.