



# COLUMBUS SOCCER CLUB



## 2025 Fall Developmental League

(Children born between 2018 and 2021)

Hello Parents!

Thank you for your interest in the Columbus Soccer Club Developmental League. We are excited to announce that CSC will once again be putting on this league in the fall after the success of it in 2024! The purpose of this letter is to provide you with a background on the Columbus Soccer Club and give you detail on this program being offered in the fall of 2025 to children born in 2018 to 2021.

### **CSC BACKGROUND**

The Columbus Soccer Club is a nonprofit organization that strives towards promoting youth participation (both recreational and competitive) in the sport of soccer. The Columbus Soccer Club focuses on providing the best possible soccer experience for the youth in the Columbus area and instill the qualities of ambition, leadership, teamwork, respect, service to others, and the pursuit of excellence.

The Columbus Soccer Club currently has over 30 teams with approximately 500 boys and girls registered. The Columbus Soccer Club divides teams by birth year (per the Nebraska State Soccer rules), and the soccer season goes from July 1 to June 30. CSC holds open practice sessions (called ID Nights) in June to all boys and girls (U9 and older) interested in joining a CSC team.

The Columbus Soccer Club hosts two large soccer tournaments at Wilderness Park annually. The Columbus Classic Tournament is held in June, and the Columbus Harvest Cup is held in October. Both of these tournaments on average attract between 70-80 teams across Nebraska and surrounding states. Additionally, CSC partners with the YMCA to put on a Rookie Soccer League in March at the Columbus Fieldhouse.

### **CSC FALL DEVELOPMENTAL LEAGUE**

The Columbus Soccer Club is excited to bring back this program which will allow for your children to get involved in CSC at an earlier age. This program will operate under the Nebraska State Soccer. This league is designed to introduce kids to the fundamentals of soccer in a positive, fun, educational, and low-stress environment. All practices and games will take place on Thursdays at Wilderness Park Soccer Complex (pending weather). If a game is cancelled, we will look to reschedule them on a different day.

The age groups for boys and girls in this fall 2025 program is U5 (2021 birth year), U6 (2020 birth year), U7 (2019 birth year), and U8 (2018 birth year). The CSC 2025 Fall Developmental League will run for six weeks from August 7 to September 11, 2025. Additionally, U7 (2019) and U8 (2018) boys and girls will have the opportunity to compete in the Columbus Harvest Cup tournament in October if a coach decides to register their team.

## **CSC DEVELOPMENTAL LEAGUE DETAIL**

**(Open to children of all skill level)**

**-FALL LEAGUE DATES:** August 7, 2025 to September 11, 2025 (Thursday Evenings)

- Practice and games will be the same day.
- Games cancelled due to weather will be made up on September 18<sup>th</sup> or 25<sup>th</sup>.

**-DIVISIONS:** U5 (2021 Birth Year), U6 (2020 Birth Year), U7 (2019 Birth Year), & U8 (2018 Birth Year)

**-LOCATION:** Practices and Games will be played at Wilderness Park Soccer Complex.

**-COST:** \$65/player for the Fall League (Each player will receive a CSC shirt).

**-REGISTRATION DEADLINE:** June 9, 2025 (Coaches and Parents will be notified of their team by July 14, 2025).

**-PLAYERS/TEAMS:** Children will be randomly assigned to teams.

**-U5 (2021) / U6 (2020) FORMAT:**

3v3 (No Goalie)

U6 Field Size with 6'x4' Goals

Size 3 Soccer Ball

ALL teams will practice for approx. 20 minutes and then play a game consisting of 4 – 6 minute quarters.

Away team will wear pinnies over their CSC shirt (CSC will provide these).

**-U7 (2019) / U8 (2018) FORMAT:**

5v5 (No Goalie)

U8 Field Size with 10'x8' Goals

Size 3 Soccer Ball

ALL teams will practices for approx. 20-30 minutes and then play a game consisting of 4 – 10 minute quarters.

Away team will wear pinnies over their CSC shirt (CSC will provide these).

## **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

- 1) ***Does my child need to be really good at soccer to play in the CSC Developmental League?*** No. Children of all skill level are encouraged to participate in this league. The goal is to make this a positive and fun atmosphere for all kids while starting to teach them good soccer technique and habits.
- 2) ***Is this the same league as AYSO?*** No. This league is being ran by the Columbus Soccer Club.
- 3) ***Is my child able to participate in AYSO and the CSC Developmental League?*** Absolutely. CSC Developmental League games are on Thursday evenings while AYSO games are on Saturday morning.
- 4) ***Are coaches able to have additional practices outside the schedule league games on Thursday?*** Yes. Coaches will need to coordinate with the CSC President to schedule an additional practice at Wilderness Park.
- 5) ***Are coaches able to sign their team up to compete in tournaments?*** U7 and U8 teams are able to sign up for tournaments. It is recommended and encouraged that they consider signing up for the Columbus Harvest Cup in October.

## **INCENTIVES FOR COACHES AND PARENTS**

- ⇒ Head Coaches of teams in the CSC Developmental League will receive a CSC shirt. They will also be reimbursed their child's DL registration fee at the end of the league if they are in good standing.
- ⇒ There are also several additional incentives for coaches and parents who become certified referees. Please refer to CSC website for additional detail. [www.columbussoccerclub.com](http://www.columbussoccerclub.com)

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to reach out to CSC President Scott Jarecke at [columbussoccerclubpresident@gmail.com](mailto:columbussoccerclubpresident@gmail.com).

THANK YOU!

Columbus Soccer Club Board of Directors