

SPRING 2026

RECREATION GUIDE

SOCER MOMS AND DADS

GUIDE SERIES



2026 Recreational & Foundational Programs

A comprehensive guide outlining spring recreational and foundational soccer programs focused on fun, skill development, and player confidence.



PREPARE FOR YOUR FIRST SOCCER EXPERIENCE

Prepare your child with proper gear and a positive, fun-focused mindset to ensure a confident, enjoyable first soccer experience.

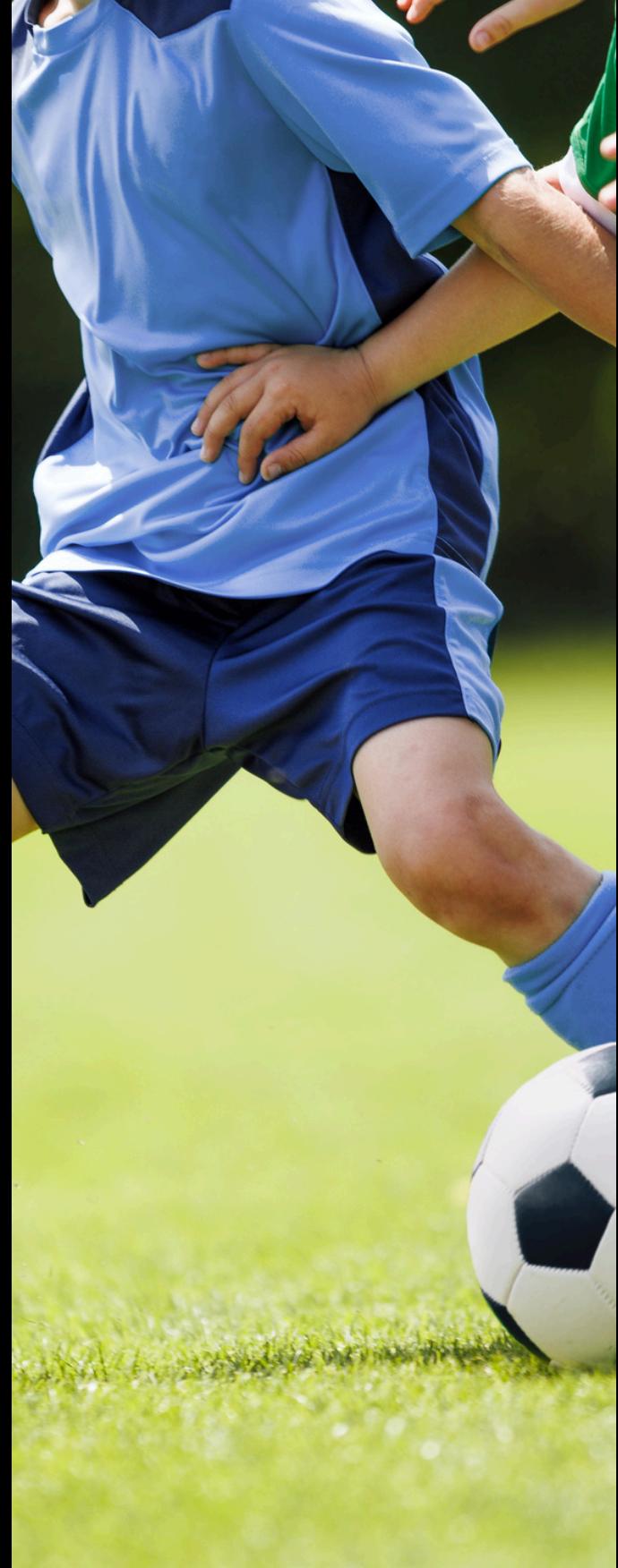
Building Confidence Through Soccer

At the recreational and foundational levels, winning is redefined as growth, confidence, effort, and enjoyment—building skills, resilience, and a lifelong love of the game rather than focusing on scores alone.

Where growth, confidence, and joy matter

Recreational soccer provides an ideal environment for young players to explore the game, build confidence, and discover a genuine love for soccer. Free from the pressure of standings and outcomes, players are encouraged to try new skills, make decisions, and learn through experience. This freedom helps children develop self-belief, creativity, and resilience while enjoying the process of playing.

When selecting a foundational program, it is important to prioritize development over winning. Programs that emphasize fun, effort, and improvement create positive first experiences that keep players engaged and motivated. Over time, this approach builds a strong technical and emotional foundation, allowing players to grow at their own pace and form a lasting connection to the game.



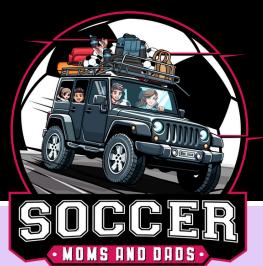


When Is a Player Ready to Move Beyond Recreational Soccer?

Determining when a player is ready to move beyond recreational soccer is rarely a simple decision. There is no single test, age, or statistic that clearly signals readiness. Instead, it is a combination of player development, environment, and family readiness.

One common indicator is when a player consistently stands out at the recreational level. This does not simply mean scoring large numbers of goals. True dominance shows up in a player's understanding of the game—reading plays, defending responsibly, completing passes under pressure, and confidently taking on defenders. Players who influence all phases of the game often need new challenges to continue growing.

Another factor is coaching and environment. Recreational programs are designed to introduce the game, not to provide advanced tactical or technical instruction. If a player is no longer being challenged by the coaching available, it may be time to explore a more structured training setting. Equally important is the family's readiness. Club soccer requires a significant commitment of time, finances, and travel. Multiple weekly trainings, weekend matches, and games in other communities are common. Before making the move, families should honestly assess whether those demands align with their schedules, resources, and goals.



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Greater Cincinnati



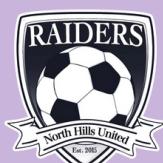
Rising Star Academy

STAR Rush Cincinnati

Deadline: 3/31/2026

www.starrush.org

A fun, age-appropriate developmental soccer program focused on skill-building, teamwork, and confidence.



NHU Raiders

North Hills United SAY Soccer

Deadline: 03/07/2026

Registration Website

Mt. Healthy Park

Volunteer-led youth soccer organization focused on learning, fun, and beginner development.

LYSA - Lebanon Youth Soccer Association

Cincinnati United

Deadline: 2/15/2026

Program: 04/01 - 05/25/2026

Lebanon Sports Complex, 45036

Registration Website

LYSA launches online registration, strengthening partnership and expanding affordable soccer.

Spring Soccer

Fairfield YMCA

Deadline: 03/06/2026

Program: 03/18 - 05/18/2026

Fairfield Church of the Nazarene

Spring Soccer

Fitton (Hamilton) YMCA

Deadline: 03/06/2026

White Oak Christian Church

Fairfield SAY Soccer

Fairfield SAY Soccer

Deadline: 02/26/2026

Program: 04/06 - 05/06/2026

Fairfield Optimist Fields

Each team will play 8 games. All games in the Spring are on weekdays and Saturdays.

Spring Soccer

Clermont Central Soccer Association

Program: 04/06 - 05/19/2026

Batavia Bethel CNE Facility and New Richmond West Clermont SC

TFA Titans

Total Futbol Academy

Deadline: 3/2/2026

Program: 3/18-4/22/2026

TFA Harrison Complex Fields 26299 S State St, West Harrison, IN 47060

TFA Titans delivers high-energy, play-based soccer for ages 3-7, nurturing intelligent, confident, creative players from their very first touch.



www.tfacincinnati.com

www.soccermomsanddads.com

TFA TITANS



**EVERY WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18TH-
APRIL 22ND, 2026 (6 WEEKS)**

- Time: 5:30-6:30pm
- Birth Years: 2019-2021
- Cost: \$85 (t-shirt included)
- What to Bring: Shin guards, water bottle, soccer cleats, soccer ball-size 3

- Registration Deadline: March 2nd, 2026
- Location: TFA Harrison Complex 26299 S State St, West Harrison, IN 47060

Register at tfacincinnati.com



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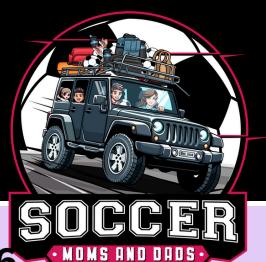


SCAN TO REGISTER

REGISTER BEFORE **FEB 15**
FOR GUARANTEED PLACEMENT

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www.beavercreeksoccer.com

BSA Recreation

Ohio Galaxies FC

Deadline: 03/02/2026

Program: 04/04- 05/22/2026

Ankeney Soccer Complex, 505 S. Orchard Lane, Beavercreek, OH 45434

BSA Recreation's goal is to have fun and to teach players soccer skills in an atmosphere of sportsmanship and teamwork.

Spring Soccer

Monroe Soccer Association

Deadline: 1/31/2026

Program: March-May, 2026

Monroe Ohio

www.monroesoccer.net



Rec Academy (U6 & U9) and Advanced Rec (U9 +

Darke County Soccer Association Rec Soccer

Deadline: 03/01/2026

Program: 03/10 - 06/07/2026

Trinity Fields, 1400 E Main St, Greenville, OH 4331

Registration Website

Rec Academy offers fun, skill-building practices with age-group training and weekly randomized teams for games.



NWC Juniors

NWC Alliance

Deadline: 04/01/2026

Program: April-May 2026

Patricia Allen Park, Springboro, Ohio 45066

nwcalliancesoccer.org

NWC Juniors bridges the gap between recreational and competitive soccer with age appropriate training.

Spring Soccer

Miamisburg Soccer Association

Program Dates

Miamisburg, Ohio

Recreational Soccer

Bellbrook Soccer Association

Deadline: 03/08/2026

Program: 03/09-04/30/2026

Bellbrook, Ohio

Registration Website

An ideal entry point for the player who wants to be introduced to the game, play with friends, and participate on a team with emphasis on learning the fundamentals of the game while providing a positive experience.



Spring Registration Now Open

BSA RECREATION



BeaverCreek Soccer Association is now accepting new player registrations for the Spring 2026 BSA Rec-League soccer session. If you have a child that did not play soccer last Fall but wants to play soccer in the Spring, this is your chance to sign them up!

FUN AND COMMUNITY-FOCUSED ENVIRONMENT

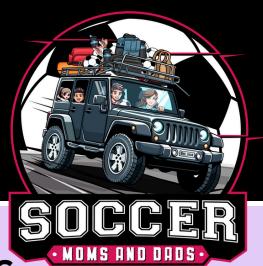
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Central Ohio



Lil' Kickers

Flying Fives Fieldhouse

Open Registration Program: 04/11 - 06/27/2026
Groveport, Ohio 43125

Weekly 50-minute classes led by enthusiastic coaches for ages 18 mo. - 12 years. Register for a free class!

www.lilkickers.com

MLS Go

Pride Soccer Club

Deadline: 2/15/2026

300 Groveport Rd. Canal Winchester OH 43110

PRIDE SC offers a spring U5-U8 recreational league with weekly training, Saturday games, and professional coaching support.

Registration Website

Future Superstars

Sporting Columbus

Deadline: 04/01/2026

5600 Thompson Rd, Columbus, OH 43230

Our focus at the U5 - U7 age groups is to create an atmosphere and environment through practice and competition where players are challenged to be creative and solve problems.

Registration Website

Future Superstars

Sporting Columbus

Deadline: 04/01/2026

Jewish Community Center, Bexley, Ohio 43209

Our focus at the U5 - U7 age groups is to create an atmosphere and environment through practice and competition where players are challenged to be creative and solve problems.

Registration Website

NWFC

Northwest Football Club

Deadline: 02/14/2026

Spindler Fields, Hilliard OH 43026

northwestfc.org

Affordable recreational soccer for all children, with flexible commitments, volunteer coaches, weekly games, and age-appropriate team play.

Junior Soccer Program

Ohio Premier Soccer Club

Deadline: 03/15/2026

Plain City, Ohio

This youth soccer program is perfect for kids who are new to the sport and parents who want their children to develop the skills needed to thrive in and out of the game.

opsoccer.com/juniors-soccer/

Little Stars Soccer

Stars Indoor Sports

Deadline: 03/02/2026

Columbus, Ohio 43229

starsindoorsports.com

Tots Soccer offers fun, year-round classes building basic skills and confidence for ages 18 months to 9.

Elite Juniors

Locker Soccer Academy

Deadline: 03/14/2026

330 W. Case St, Powell Ohio 43065

LOCKER SOCCER ACADEMY
lockersoccer.com

Elite Juniors prepares ages 5-6 for structured team play and future U8 competition.



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**WAITLIST BEGINS
FEBRUARY 1, 2026**

**SOCCKER SATURDAYS
APRIL 4 - MAY 16**

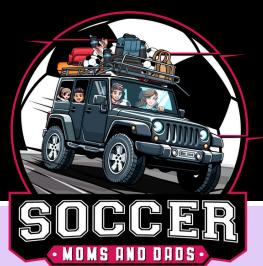
AGES U4 - U12

**AVERY PARK
EARLINGTON PARK
DUBLIN, OH**

[HTTPS://WWW.DUBLINSOCCER.NET/](https://www.dublinsoccer.net/)

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more Central Ohio



UCISL

Union Co Elite FC

Deadline: 2/28/2026

Program: 3/23 to 5/16/2026

Marysville, Ohio

www.elitefcssl.com

Recreational soccer for those kids who have never played soccer or just want to play soccer for fun without an emphasis on competition.

CESA Spring Recreational Youth Soccer

Final Third Foundation

Deadline: Varies

Location Varies

Registration Website

The basic objective of the program is simple: to provide a safe environment for kids to learn & enjoy the game.

Dublin Soccer League/Timbits

Dublin Soccer League

Deadline: 2/1/2026

Program: April 4th - May 16th

Avery Park (7401 Avery Rd)/Earlington Park (5660 Dublinshire Dr) - Dublin, Ohio

dublinsoccer.net

The home for recreational soccer in Dublin, Ohio. Designed to give every child the opportunity to participate.

HOSA Recreational Program

Hilliard Ohio Soccer Association (HOSA)

Deadline: 01/15/2026

Program: 03/23-05/10/2026

Hilliard Athletic Complex

Registration Website

HOSA is a recreational league designed to be a safe and affordable option for kids to play soccer.

Spring Soccer

Pickerington Area Soccer Association (PASA)

Deadline: 02/28/2026

Program: 04/11-06/07/2026

Pickerington, Ohio

Spring Soccer

Amanda Cleercreek Youth Soccer

Registration Now Open Spring 2026

Amanda, Ohio

www.acyouthsoccer.net

An all-volunteer organization dedicated to teaching the youth of our community about the sport of soccer.

ROSA Spring Soccer

Riverside Outdoor Soccer Association

Registration Now Open

Program: 4/8/2026

Zanesville, Ohio

Registration Website

Recreational Soccer in Zanesville, Ohio

2026 Spring Soccer

KASA Eagles Soccer

Deadline: 02/7/2026

Program: Spring 2026

Marion, Ohio

www.kasaeagles.com

Elite Juniors prepares ages 5-6 for structured team play and future U8 competition.



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PRESIDENTS' DAY CAMP

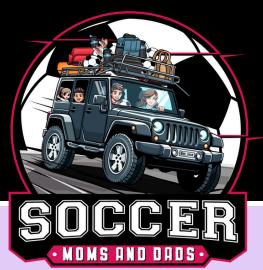
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Greater Toledo



Spring Soccer

Springfield FC Holland, Ohio

Registration Website

Our goal is simple: To enable children of all ages to play soccer at their highest level in a safe and positive environment.

Spring Soccer 2026

Lake Soccer Club Millbury, Ohio

Deadline: 02/15/2026

Program starts 03/1/2026

www.lakesoccer.club

Recreational soccer creates a fun, welcoming environment where players learn, grow, and build confidence.

Spring 2026

Eastwood Youth Soccer Association

Deadline: 01/20/2026

Program Spring 2026

Lucky, Ohio

www.eastwoodsoccer.org

Recreational Soccer Program

Spring Soccer

Van Buren Youth Soccer Association

Deadline: 01/15/2026

Program: Spring 2026

Van Buren, Ohio

Facebook Page

Recreational Soccer in Van Buren, Ohio

Genoa Area Rec Soccer

Deadline: 02/01/2026

Genoa Soccer Club

Genoa, Ohio

www.genoasoccerclub.com

Impact Development League

GTFC Impact

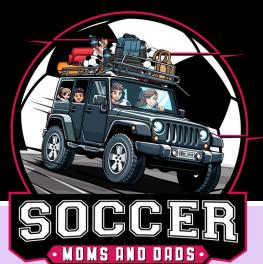
Ongoing Registration Thursdays

Toledo, Ohio

Tailored for children ages 3 – 8 years old of all experience levels. It is an excellent place to begin.

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Northeast Ohio



Spring Grizzly Club Academy-Recreation

Wadsworth Amateur Soccer Association

Grizzly Cub Academy emphasizes individual skills, team development, and mastering core soccer skill moves.

Deadline: 03/31/2026

Muhl Park, Wadsworth, Ohio 44281

2026 Spring Soccer Season

Louisville Soccer Club

louisvillesoccerclub.net

Age-appropriate opportunities for children ages 3 & up to get active and develop soccer skills

Spring Soccer

Canton South Soccer Club

cssoccerclub.com

Recreational soccer creates a fun, welcoming environment where players learn, grow, and build confidence.

Deadline: 2/15/2026

Program: Begins 3/3/2026

Canton, Ohio

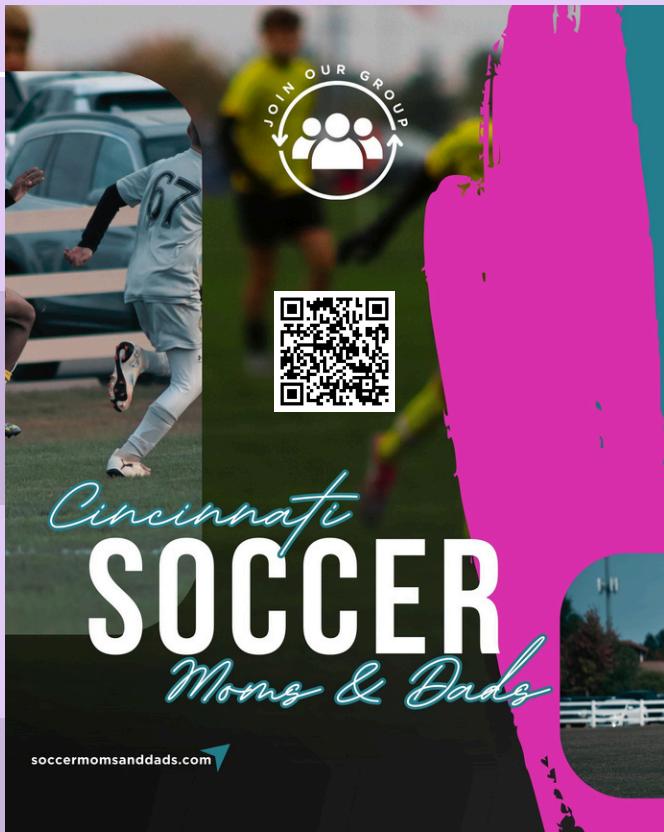
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CINCINNATI - WEST CHESTER

7657 Voice of America Centre Drive
West Chester, OH 45069
(513) 779-8730

CINCINNATI - ANDERSON

7701 Beechmont Avenue
Cincinnati, OH 45255
(513) 231-2252

CLEVELAND - MAYFIELD HEIGHTS

1265 SOM Center Road
Mayfield Heights, OH 44124
(440) 565-0101

COLUMBUS - DUBLIN

6545 Perimeter Drive
Dublin, OH 43016
(614) 766-6446

LOUISVILLE - ST. MATTHEWS

10416 Shelbyville Road
Louisville, KY 40223
(502) 253-5700

INDIANAPOLIS - CARMEL

2271 Pointe Parkway
Carmel, IN 46032
(317) 571-0105

NASHVILLE - FRANKLIN

600B Frazier Drive
Franklin, TN 37067
(615) 236-2021



The Voice of Soccer Families

In 2025, Ohio Soccer Moms and Dads connected thousands of soccer families by sharing timely, trusted information across Facebook, Instagram, email, our website, and our annual digital guides. Our Facebook Page reaches more than 5,100 followers, and our regional Soccer Moms and Dads groups bring together over 15,300 local parents who actively share questions, recommendations, and experiences. More than 4,100 families choose to receive our email newsletter, and our website is visited by over 1,100 parents each month—especially during busy times like tryouts, registration, and tournament season.

Our digital guides are some of the most-used resources in the Ohio soccer community. Guides like the Tryout Guide, Training & Camp Guides, Tournament Guides, and Futsal Guide regularly reach tens of thousands of parents, with many receiving 35,000+ views on Facebook and Instagram. By sharing individual guide pages, families can easily find the exact information they need, when they need it. Everything we share is family-focused, age-appropriate, and centered on player development. We work with clubs, leagues, trainers, and partners who support youth soccer families, helping parents make informed decisions throughout the soccer year.

How to Prepare Your Child for Their First Soccer Season

Preparing your child for their first soccer season starts with keeping things simple and positive. Begin with the basics: comfortable athletic clothing, shin guards, soccer socks, and an age-appropriate ball. Cleats are helpful for outdoor play, but many young players can start in athletic shoes, especially at the recreational level. Make sure everything fits properly to avoid discomfort and distraction.

Equally important is helping your child develop the right mindset. Emphasize fun, effort, and learning over performance or results. Let them know it

is okay to make mistakes and that trying new things is part of the game.

Confidence grows when children feel supported, not pressured.

At home, small touches go a long way. Casual play in the yard, watching games together, or practicing simple skills like dribbling can build familiarity and excitement. Most importantly, celebrate participation and improvement to help your child start their soccer journey feeling confident and motivated.

