



[AGES 3-6]

# ROOKIE SOCCER

SATURDAY'S SEP. 13-OCT. 11

 **YOUTH SPORTS COMPLEX**  
3301 Prairie Avenue, Beloit, WI 53511

REGISTRATION CLOSES AUG. 10

[statelineymca.org/soccer](http://statelineymca.org/soccer)

MEMBERS

\$42

COMMUNITY

\$68

## PARTICIPANT INFORMATION:

First Name ..... Last Name ..... School .....  
Age as of Registration Day (circle one) ..... Rookie (Ages 3-4) ..... Rookie (Ages 5-6) .....  
T-Shirt Size (circle) 5T    YS    YM    YL    YXL    Adult S    Adult M    Adult L

## PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION:

First Name ..... Last Name ..... Phone Number ..... Email .....  
Interested in Volunteer Coaching? [ ] Head Coach [ ] Assistant Coach    Coach Shirt Size: .....

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## IMPORTANT DATES

Registration opens	JUN. 30
Registration deadline	AUG. 10
Mandatory Coaches' Meeting - 6pm @ Ironworks	AUG. 20
Coaches will be in contact by this date	SEP. 5
League games begin	SEP. 13
Final games played	OCT. 11

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# COMMITMENT TO CHARACTER



## CORE VALUES

**Caring** - We expect athletes, coaches, officials, and parents to remain committed to their team, teammates, themselves, and the integrity of the sport while at practice, before, during, and after games, and at all times. Sports, at their core, are about commitment.

**Honesty** - We are dedicated to an equal and fair standard. This happens when athletes, coaches, officials, and parents are honest at all times. In the end, cheaters never win and winners never cheat.

**Respect** - We expect all athletes, coaches, officials, and parents to be treated with dignity at all times. The experience is the focus, not the outcome.

**Responsibility** - We hold athletes, coaches, officials, and parents responsible for their actions. It is vital that everyone is following the rules and conducting themselves with, Caring, Honesty, Respect, and Responsibility at all times.

## THE FOUR PLAYER VALUES

**Caring** - I will demonstrate caring to my sport and my teammates by practicing and playing to the best of my ability at all times.

**Honesty** - I will live out honesty by playing by the rules; I won't complain to the officials.

**Respect** - I will be respectful to my teammates, the coaches, and the officials by treating them how I would like to be treated.

**Responsibility** - I understand that actions have consequences and I pledge to take accept the consequences for my actions at all times.

## THE FOUR COACH VALUES

**Caring** - I will show my players I care by being prepared for practices and games.

**Honesty** - I demonstrate honesty by upholding the rules, regardless of the outcome.

**Respect** - I will respect each player and strive to help players' development individually and as a team. I will ensure that all players are respected by myself, teammates, and parents. Ensuring everyone has equal opportunity to learn and develop is one of my most important roles as a coach.

**Responsibility** - I understand the responsibility of being a coach and the impact my choices have on players and parents. I am a role model for all players and parents, and I will not only follow the rules-I will uphold them at all times.

## THE FOUR PARENT VALUES

**Caring** - I will show my player that I care and support him/her by encouraging development both on and off the field/court.

**Honesty** - I will be a good role model for my player and their teammates by demonstrating honesty, regardless of the outcome.

**Respect** - I will respect all players, teammates, coaches, and officials at all times and understand that

this level of play is focused on fun, fair play, and development.

**Responsibility** - I understand that my player will demonstrate the same level of responsibility I have. Therefore, I will follow the rules and policies for the sport in which my player is participating, and will accept responsibility for my actions.



**All coaches are required to attend a mandatory coaches' meeting, where we will share how our program works, rules and regulations, and practice drills. This meeting is scheduled for August 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm, and will be held at the Ironworks Branch.**

**Does my player need to buy any equipment to play?**

The YMCA supplies all our teams with equipment. We also supply all our players with a team jersey; coaches receive a team shirt.

YMCA players generally supply their own shoes/cleats and shin guards. Please note: shin guards are required for ALL age-levels. Cleats are required optional for rookie participants.

**When is uniform pickup?**

The complete uniform will be given to coaches at the first session.

**When is picture day?**

The date will be announced at it approaches.

**Does the YMCA cut any kids?**

No. If you register for YMCA soccer, you will be placed on a team. Please note, however, that we do have limits to the number of players who can play in each league; we will close registration for those leagues as they are filled.

**How many games do the teams play?**

Athletes will play combination of 5 games and practices.

**Does every player get to play?**

Yes! In all leagues, every player on the team roster must play at least half of each game.

**When does the season start, and how long does it last?**

Teams are formed in late August/early September. You will hear from your coach with your team name and practice information by September 5th. All rookie teams' first practice/game will be Saturday, September 13th.

**Where are the games played?**

All league games are played at the YMCA Youth Sports Complex located at 3301 Prairie Ave. in Beloit.

**What age groups does YMCA soccer serve?**

Our rookie soccer league is for players ages 3-6 years old.

**How do I determine my player's "league age"?**

Register your child based on their age as of the date of registration. No player is allowed to play up or down a division.

**What does the rookie soccer programs cost?**

Members \$43 | Community \$68

**When does registration begin and where can I register?**

Registration officially opens on June 30th. You can register online at [statelineymca.org/soccer](http://statelineymca.org/soccer) or in-person at the Ironworks Branch or Roscoe Branch of the Stateline Family YMCA.

**What soccer programs are offered for each age group?**

This league is for beginners who would like to be introduced to the basics of soccer. The season lasts 5-weeks, with practices and games on Saturday's only. All players learn the beginning fundamentals in a supportive "skills session" environment. In rookie soccer, we use a size 3 ball to give players the best experience possible. Each game or practice lasts about 1-hour; the first half of each session is devoted to skill development through drills and stations that teach the fundamentals of the game. The second half of each session involves live games where players will take to the shortened field for fun and rapid play.

## **What does the player fee cover?**

Each player's fee covers only a portion of the expenses we incur to operate our leagues (team equipment, uniforms, referees, grounds crew wages, grounds keeping equipment, concession stand supervisors, janitorial services, etc.). We cover the rest of our operating expenses with support from a combination of sources, including our donors, team sponsors, on-field advertisers, concession stand operations, and tournament hosting activities.

## **Is my child on the same team she was last year?**

Not necessarily. Each child will be assigned to a new team from the previous year. This is done so kids have the opportunity to play for other coaches and meet new kids in the program.

## **Do parents need to volunteer in the concession stand or in any capacity?**

Our concession stand is fully staffed, so you can sit back and relax while watching your child's game! We do however, depend on volunteer coaches for our program. Our program is a very large program and the need for motivated and dedicated volunteers is constantly growing. If you are interested in coaching, please indicate that on the registration form, submit your information at [statelineymca.org/volunteer](http://statelineymca.org/volunteer), or contact the YMCA at 608-365-2261.

## **What is Your Refund Policy?**

All refund requests will be at the director's discretion.

- Before practice begins: a full credit on your account will be permitted
- Once practice begins: a 50% credit on your account will be permitted. This is due to the fact that uniforms are already ordered, and teams have already been formed by this time. All refund requests are subject to the director's approval.
- Once games begin: no refunds or credits are permitted.