

Vermilion County Soccer Club

Frequently Asked Questions

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1. What is the Club's mission?

A: To provide players with an opportunity to play a higher level of soccer than what DASA offers. Playing time is not guaranteed and will be determined by the coach. Traveling soccer is a much more demanding commitment than recreation soccer and requires the commitment from both the player and parents. Commitment to practices and travel is a must for all involved.

2. What is involved in tournaments?

A: In addition to the Central Illinois Youth Soccer League (CIYSL) weekend games, teams are encouraged to participate in tournament play. Most tournaments cost between \$400 - \$500 and that cost will be split among the team. If a hotel is required, that cost will fall to the player's family and is not included in any other costs. Teams will be encouraged to participate in (2) tournaments with one being the LISC (Champaign) while the other will be determined by the coach and club.

3. Who can form a new team?

A: Vermilion County Soccer Club affiliated with Danville Area Soccer Association is the CIYSL/IYSA certified and insured entity that manages all traveling teams under the DASA umbrella.

4. Who can play in the traveling club?

A: Any boy or girl ages 10-14 from all surrounding communities are encouraged to attend the tryout session.

5. Can U12 play 8x8?

A: CIYSL offers both options, traditional 11 vs 11 or 8 vs 8 although many are going more toward the 8 vs 8

6. What is the estimated cost?

A: That depends on the age group and the number of players per team. See below

7. What is an estimated spring schedule, how many Sundays?

A: Typically, CIYSL guarantees a minimum of 6 games per season and up to 8 depending on the number of teams signed up and accepted. All games are played on Sundays and usually 2 games per Sunday.

8. Do all teams practice together, or is each coach responsible for finding a winter practice location?

A: Each team focuses on what is best for that team. Coaches are responsible for finding a practice location in the off season. Off season practice should focus on ball touches, ball handling, and conditioning.

9. What is the date cut-off to determining age of player?

A: August 1st

10. Where do we travel to?

A: Each accepted team will host one weekend of games at each site. Teams may travel to 2 or more locations. Decatur, Charleston, Springfield, Bloomington, Champaign

11. When do the teams practice?

A: Depends on the coach of each team. 1-2 practices per week is an average

12. How many tournaments do the teams participate in?

A: That also depends on the coach and the team. We like to encourage each team to do a minimum of 2 if possible.

13. What is the cost?

A: Player fees will be different based on number of players and age division of team. Player fees will include the league fees, referee fees, coach stipend and all equipment needed by the coach. Not included in the player fees are: tournament fees, uniform costs, travel costs and food costs. All efforts will be made to keep costs to a minimum but there will be fees that are expected to be paid for this experience. Again, traveling (club) soccer is a higher level of soccer that requires much more of a commitment (time and monetarily) by the parents and players. Making the team will be determined by the club and coach while playing time will be determined by the coach and is not guaranteed.

Spring 2009 fees (subject to minor adjustment)

U12: Returning players = \$50

New players = \$80 (plus uniform)

* Subject to minor adjustment once CIYSL schedule is out

U13/U14: Returning players = \$45

New Players = \$70 (plus uniform)

* Subject to minor adjustment once CIYSL schedule is out

Uniform cost:

Team Jersey Maroon \$19, Grey \$19, Shorts \$18, Socks \$6.50, Equipment bag \$20

14. Who owns the uniform?

A: Uniforms are the property of the player and are not part of the fee structure. Uniforms for the club will be the same throughout the club and will be used for a 2 year period (potentially 4 seasons). Mandatory uniform will consist of (2) jerseys, (1) short and (1) pair of socks. Uniform costs will be around the \$60 - \$100 range (again, lasting for 2 years and possibly 4 seasons). Additional pieces, jackets and bags will be available for purchase as well but those are optional.