

## **When is the WRS Youth Soccer Season:**

The WRS Youth Soccer season runs from early March to early June.

## **What is the duration and frequency of practices and where are they held?**

Practices are currently one hour long, once a week, and are held on the sports fields behind White River Christian Church.

## **When and how do we register?**

Registration opens in February and closes immediately following evaluations. Register by visiting [wrcc.org/soccer](http://wrcc.org/soccer). If you're not able to register online, you may pick up a paper registration form from the church office.

## **What are the division breakdowns? Are the teams coed?**

**All WRS teams are coed.** The anticipated divisions are Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade, 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> Grade, 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade, 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade. WRS reserves the right to make changes and adjustments to these divisions based on registration numbers.

## **Are there tryouts?**

There are no tryouts as all kids who sign up to play will be placed on a team; however, we ask that all participants attend one of our evaluation nights. The purpose of the evaluation is to try and field as evenly matched teams as possible. All evaluations at WRS are an open-house format and take approximately 30-45 minutes depending on the volume at the time you attend.

## **How old must my child be to participate?**

WRS is a grade-based program, NOT age-based. We offer leagues from kindergarten through high school for both boys and girls. Operating from a calendar which runs from August to July, a child must be in kindergarten during the season in which they are planning to participate.



### **What is the registration cost? What does it include? What do I need to buy?**

Your registration fee of \$80, includes a team jersey, practice t-shirt, shorts, socks, and more! All team equipment for practice and games regarding balls, goals, cones, practice jerseys (pennies), etc., is provided by the league. Players will need to have their own cleats and shin-guards. Soccer cleats are recommended but not required.

### **Do we have to be members of White River Christian Church to participate?**

Participants in the league are not required to be members of White River Christian Church or of any church. The league is designed as a community league open to anyone, regardless of church affiliation.

### **Do you keep standings?**

We do not keep standings; however, we do have a tournament for 4<sup>th</sup> grade and up teams at the end of the season. The league is designed to teach and emphasize fundamentally sound soccer, provide players the opportunity to compete, while emphasizing a Christ like attitude.

### **Can I coach in the league?**

Anyone is eligible to apply to coach in the league, however, we do complete background checks on all coaching applicants and reserve the right to accept or decline coaches on the basis of our discretion. To fill the role of head coach, it is mandatory that you are a baptized believer and are actively involved in a local church.

### **For more information and questions about the league, contact:**

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