## **YOUTH SOCCER**



<u>PROGRAM PHILOSOPHY</u>: The mission of all Wahoo Parks and Recreation youth sports programs is to promote a fun, yet challenging environment in which participants are introduced to and taught the basics of a given sport. The program is strictly recreational in nature and emphasizes equal opportunity for involvement and participation.

<u>REGISTRATION</u>: Now through March 1<sup>st</sup>. Any registrations received after March 1<sup>st</sup> will incur a \$10 late fee and will be accepted on an "as needed" basis. Complete and detach the registration form below and return with appropriate registration fee or register online at www.wahooparksandrec.com.

<u>PROGRAM FORMAT</u>: League games will be scheduled on Saturday mornings and Monday evenings if needed. All teams will be Coed, playing a round robin schedule and scheduled to play six games. Depending upon weather and/or field conditions, league play will begin on March 9<sup>th</sup> or 16<sup>th</sup> (an announcement regarding this will be made by March 1<sup>st</sup>). No games will be scheduled or rescheduled after April 20<sup>th</sup> (regardless of the number of games that were played) <u>Please note on your form if your child is also playing volleyball!</u>

LEAGUES: (Note: The following league formats are subject to change dependent upon enrollment numbers and volunteer coach availability.)

<u>Pre-K & Kindergarten League</u>: Participants must be 5 years old by <u>July 29<sup>th</sup></u>, 2024. Games are played 6 vs. 6 with approximately 8-9 players on a team. A size 3 ball is used. No goalie is used and no game scores or league standings are kept. The fundamentals of the game such as dribbling, passing, throw-ins, and teamwork will be emphasized. Volunteer parent coaches will lead a 20-30 minute practice followed by an informal scrimmage. No practices are held outside of the scheduled "games" so players need to simply attend the scheduled games as coaches will not contact the parents/players in advance.

1st & 2nd Grade League: Games are played 6 vs. 6 with approximately 8-9 players on a team. A size 4 ball is used. No goalie is used and no game scores or league standings are kept. The fundamentals of the game such as dribbling, passing, throw-ins, and teamwork will be emphasized.

3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Grade League and 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade League: Games are played 7 vs.7 with approximately 10-11 players on a team. A size 5 ball is used. Goalies will be used. The level of play is more aggressive while focusing on fundamentals. Although we believe enough numbers exist to have separate 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade leagues this year, leagues may be combined due to lack of numbers if necessary.

REGISTRATION FORM – 2024 YOUTH SOCCER

Participant's Name \_\_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_\_ City/Zip \_\_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age Today \_\_\_\_\_ Grade in School: Pre-K K 1 2 3 4 5 6

School Attending \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's/Guardian's Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide us with the email address and phone number you want to be contacted at by your child's coach:

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

In order to take advantage of the member rate, the participant must have a current Civic Center membership.

The Wahoo Parks and Recreation youth sports program relies upon and needs volunteer coaches for all sports.

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\begin{array}{c} \text{Yes!...I would be interested in serving as a volunteer head coach.} \end{array}
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## Please circle the appropriate box to the right.

Return registration form to the Civic Center.
If mailing, send to:
Wahoo Parks and Recreation Department
Attn: Youth Soccer Registration
310 N. Linden St.
Wahoo, NE 68066

LEAGUE	MEMBER	NON-MEMBER
Pre-K & Kindergarten	\$35	\$55
1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	\$35	\$55
3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	\$35	\$55
5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	\$35	\$55

## PERMISSION to PARTICIPATE and INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT

By signing below, I and the child's family acknowledge: A) We have read the aforementioned information regarding the Wahoo Parks and Recreation youth sports program named herein and give our child permission to participate, B) We give Wahoo Parks and Recreation permission to use photographs or videos of our child in its promotional/educational materials, C) We have reviewed and will follow the Wahoo Parks and Recreation Policy Relating to Concussion, Head Injury, and Concussed Players, and D) The Wahoo Parks and Recreation Department does not carry medical or accident insurance for participants in this program.

Realizing that my child is playing for fun, recreation, and personal betterment, I hereby for myself and for my child, our heirs, personal representatives and assigns, waive and release any and all claim for injuries or damages of any kind of nature which either I or my child may have against the City of Wahoo, any manager, coach, instructor, umpire, referee or assistant thereto, anyone who prepares a playing field for any practice session or any formal game, chaperones, sponsors or anyone who or organizes or causes this program to operate, their agents, representatives and assigns as a result of any practice session or game or any participating in said sports program and indemnify the City of Wahoo, and all parties named herein against such claim or damages arising from such claims. We hereby agree that coaches, managers, umpires, referees, their assistants or anyone who prepares a playing field shall not be liable for the injury or death of my child as a participant in said Wahoo Parks and Recreation programs which results from the negligence of any of the above listed individuals. I understand that the City of Wahoo assumes no legal or financial responsibility in case of accident or injury and I assume full responsibility for my child's medical expenses and waive all rights or causes of action, which my child or I may have against the City of Wahoo and each of the persons named herein.

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY  Date Pd Cash  Check  Chk. # Credit Card  Amount Pd Staff Member	Parent s/Guardian's Signat	ure	Date	
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<u>EQUIPMENT</u>: Shin guards are required. Soft rubber spiked shoes only. No hard plastic or metal cleats are allowed! Tennis shoes are acceptable. Soccer balls will be provided. Shin guards and shoes are player's responsibility.

<u>OUT-OF-TOWN TEAMS OR ORGANIZATIONS – ROSTER POLICY</u>: All kids in each community and school are able to play on your team. If a child is interested and not asked, WP&R reserves the right to place them on your roster if not enough children remain to create another team from the community/school.

<u>OUT-OF-TOWN TEAMS OR ORGANIZATIONS – GROUP DISCOUNT</u>: Any team and/or organization that agrees to follow the roster policy (above) and uniform policy (below) is eligible to receive a \$10 discount per player. In order to receive the group discount, all players on your team must be paid with ONE check! Coaches should collect all registrations and mail/drop off all registration forms in an envelope with full payment to: Wahoo Parks and Recreation, Attn: Bob Schmidt, 310 N. Linden, Wahoo, NE 68066.

<u>WP&R FORMED TEAMS</u>: Team rosters are formed via random selection. Parents may request their child be placed on a team with <u>one</u> other child for <u>legitimate</u> carpooling reasons. Some carpooling requests may not occur. This information needs to be indicated on the registration form (no exceptions). Once teams are formed, coaches are responsible for contacting players on their rosters to set up practices and distribute information. Pre-K & K soccer teams do not have practices and as a result coaches will not contact players.

<u>UNIFORMS</u>: Youth participating in Wahoo Parks and Recreation youth sports are required to wear WP&R approved uniforms (primarily blue/red Wahoo Parks and Rec shirts). Community teams and organizations will need to have a uniform shirt approved by the league director which includes the WPR logo to receive the team discount noted above.

<u>COACHES</u>: Wahoo Parks and Recreation utilizes volunteer coaches for all youth sport programs. All head coaches are required to attend the coaches meeting or meet with the league director. Instruction on general coaching philosophy and principles as well as sport-specific information will be discussed.

<u>REFUNDS</u>: Refunds will only be approved if a child is unable to play due to injury. Any requests for refunds should be directed to Bob Schmidt.

<u>WEATHER PROCEDURES/POLICIES</u>: Due to the volatility of spring weather, if inclement weather occurs parents should call the WP&R Hotline at (402) 443-4500. Revised schedules due to cancellations will be noted on the hotline and WP&R website. Note the following guidelines:

- 1) If inclement weather develops, a 1-2 hour delay will be used with the hotline updated 1 hour prior to your child's scheduled game time.
- 2) If inclement weather results in partial cancellations (even after utilizing 1-2 hour delay):
  - Those canceled games will be made up immediately on the following Monday, Tuesday, and/or Thursday. Games may be non-officiated (game times will be announced via hotline on Saturday).
- 3) If inclement weather results in all games being canceled:
  - First option: If we can host games before the league end date, we will extend the games a week and host the games another weekend.
  - Second Option: Games will be played on Mondays, Tuesdays, and/or Thursdays. Games may be non-officiated (game times will be announced via hotline on Saturday)
  - Third option: If the first option and second option still do not allow the WP&R to host games successfully. Coaches contact info will be exchanged and coaches can decide individually if they would like to play after the league end date and schedule those games with the Recreation Director (games may be non-officiated) or simply cancel games.

MISCELLANEOUS: Participants and their parents/guardians should be aware that there is a risk of injury during participation in Wahoo Parks and Recreation youth sports due to the inherent nature of the activities. Individuals participate in Parks and Recreation youth sports at their own risk.

<u>QUESTIONS</u>: Contact Bob Schmidt at the Civic Center at 443-4174 during normal business hours. To register online or find out more about Wahoo Parks and Recreation programs and events, visit our web site at www.wahooparksandrec.com.