



BELLEVUE IOWA YOUTH SOCCER 2026 FALL SEASON (GRADES K-6 IN THE FALL)

REGISTER ONLINE:	Go to bellevueiasoccer.org , click on "Online Registration" in the menu -OR- use the QR code at top left
REGISTRATION DEADLINE:	June 30, 2026
REGISTRATION FEE:	\$48
REGISTERING BY MAIL?	Complete and return pages 3 and 4 of this form with your cash or check registration fee
QUESTIONS?	Contact Gary Penniston at info@bellevueiasoccer.org or 563-340-4529

GRADE DIVISIONS: (K/1) – Kindergarten and 1st Grade
(2/3) – 2nd and 3rd Grades
(4/5/6) – 4th, 5th, and 6th Grades

To participate in the K/1 division, a player must be five years old on or before October 18, 2026. The U-ages for each division are roughly U8 for K/1, U10 for 2/3, and U13 for 4/5/6. However, we try to keep athletes playing with their classmates rather than strictly adhering to the U-ages.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We anticipate forming eight K/1 division teams, six 2/3 division teams, and eight 4/5/6 division teams. We need at least one coach per K/1 team and two coaches per team for the older divisions. We cannot have a fall soccer league without them. You do not have to be knowledgeable about the game of soccer to coach in this recreational league. If you are willing to mentor youth athletes and learn about the game, other coaches, volunteers, and BIYS board of directors members are willing to help you with practice ideas and game strategies. Head coaches will plan practices (two to three in the preseason and once a week during the season), coach seven or eight games, and communicate with the parents of the athletes on their team. Assistant coaches help in a variety of roles depending on the needs of the head coach.

FORMING TEAMS: The team selection process sincerely tries to balance the teams competitively. For the K/1 division, the draft is primarily a blind draw, but we do group the athletes by age level before the blind draw begins. The 2/3 and 4/5/6 division drafts are a little more fine-tuned, as we group by both age level and ability before the draft begins. After forming each roster, we look one last time for competitive balance problems that remain and adjust accordingly. Even with these safeguards in place, there will be teams that dominate and teams that struggle.

SIBLINGS IN THE SAME GRADE DIVISION: If you have siblings playing in the same grade division, they will be placed on the same team, unless you let me know otherwise. During registration please indicate that you have siblings playing in the same grade division. In the spirit of competitive balance, requests for your athlete to play with cousins (and also particular coaches or friends) cannot be guaranteed.

TEAM T-SHIRTS AND EQUIPMENT: Your registration fee includes a team t-shirt. Each head coach picks a team color. Shin guards are required for all players, but these are NOT included with your registration. Cleats are optional but must be soccer cleats (no baseball, softball, or football cleats).

CLINIC NIGHT: In August, we will kick off the fall soccer season with a clinic night for all coaches and players. Clinic night is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, August 16th. The rain date would tentatively be Monday, August 17th.

PRACTICES: Each head coach determines his or her practice schedule after the clinic night. Practices can begin on Monday, August 17th.

GAMES: Games will be played at Cole Park on Saturday mornings (August 29th and September 12th through October 17th). There are no games on Labor Day weekend. The championship games will be played on Sunday, October 18th in the late afternoon and evening.

WEATHER: We play in most weather conditions. Gloves, stocking caps, and layers of clothing are certainly encouraged when temperatures are cold. Two things will cause a game to be delayed or postponed: lightning or poor field conditions (including steady rain or snow).

BELLEVUE IOWA YOUTH SOCCER 2026 FALL SEASON REFUND POLICY

Bellevue Iowa Youth Soccer, Inc. (BIYS) is a nonprofit entity. One of our primary missions is to keep registration costs to a minimum. The Board of Directors, league administrator, and coaches are all volunteers, and our budget is lean. Once registrations close, there are fixed costs that BIYS will incur on behalf of your youth athlete. These fixed costs include field maintenance, insurance, scheduled referees, and team equipment. Additionally, if you have already received a team t-shirt for your athlete, it cannot be returned. The following refund policy applies to all registered athletes.

FULL REFUNDS: Full refunds are only offered before registration closes.

PARTIAL REFUNDS: The BIYS Board of Directors will review requests for partial refunds made after registration closes. An approved partial refund will be calculated by subtracting the prorated fixed costs incurred as of the date of the partial refund request from the total registration fee. Priority will be given to the following scenarios:

1. Athletes who withdraw due to medical reasons within 14 days of injury occurrence. Medical documentation may be requested.
2. Athletes who withdraw because their family is moving outside the Bellevue area and will no longer be able to participate.

DONATION OF REFUNDED PAYMENT: As a nonprofit entity, donations of full and partial refunds will be put to good use keeping registration costs low for future seasons.

METHOD OF REFUNDED PAYMENT: To keep processing costs to a minimum, all refunds will be made by check within 14 days of the refund request.

PANDEMIC (OR SIMILAR SITUATION) EXCEPTION: In the event that the fall 2026 season is delayed, ended prematurely, or not started at all due to pandemic related reasons (or similar situations), the BIYS Board of Directors will meet to determine how to proceed regarding refunds. The financial solvency of the BIYS will be the primary consideration. We want to be able to provide a quality soccer experience on the other side of any pandemic related delays or cancellations.



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 Please make checks payable to "Bellevue Iowa Youth Soccer."
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Athlete's Name _____ Male _____ Female _____

Grade _____ School _____ Birthdate ____ / ____ / ____

Parent or Guardian #1 _____ Parent or Guardian #2 _____

Email #1 _____ Email #2 _____

Phone #1 _____ Phone #2 _____

Please circle player's t-shirt size: Youth XS Youth S Youth M Youth L
 Youth XL Adult S Adult M Adult L

Names of Sibling(s) in Same Age Division _____

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Volunteer's Name _____ T-Shirt Size _____

Please circle the volunteer's role: Head Coach Assistant Coach

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Bellevue Iowa Youth Soccer, Inc. is a nonprofit entity. We want everyone who wants to play to be able to play, regardless of economic circumstances. Please contact us if financial assistance is needed.

*** Please see the reverse side of this form for required waivers that must be completed before your son or daughter can practice or play in games. ***

RELEASE OF LIABILITY FOR MINOR PARTICIPANTS
READ BEFORE SIGNING

IN CONSIDERATION OF _____ (participant name), my child/ward, being allowed to participate in any way in the Bellevue Iowa Youth Soccer, Inc. related events and activities, the undersigned acknowledges, appreciates, and agrees that:

The risk of injury to my child from the activities involved in these programs is significant, including the potential for permanent disability and death, and while particular rules, equipment, and personal discipline may reduce this risk, the risk of serious injury does exist; and,

1. FOR MYSELF, SPOUSE, AND CHILD, I KNOWINGLY AND FREELY ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS, both known and unknown, EVEN IF ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES or others, and assume full responsibility for my child's participation; and,
2. I willingly agree to comply with the program's stated and customary terms and conditions for participation. If I observe any unusual significant concern in my child's readiness for participation and/or in the program itself, I will remove my child from the participation and bring such attention of the nearest official immediately; and,
3. I, for myself, my spouse, my child, and on behalf of my/our heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, HEREBY RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS Bellevue Iowa Youth Soccer, Inc., its directors, officers, officials, agents, employees, volunteers, other participants, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, and if applicable, owners and lessors of premises used to conduct the event ("Releasees"), WITH RESPECT TO ANY AND ALL INJURY, DISABILITY, DEATH, or loss or damage to person or property incident to my child's involvement or participation in these programs, WHETHER ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES OR OTHERWISE, to the fullest extent permitted by law.
4. I, for myself, my spouse, my child, and on behalf of my/our heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, HEREBY INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS all the above Releasees from any and all liabilities incident to my involvement or participation in these programs, EVEN IF ARISING FROM THEIR NEGLIGENCE, to the fullest extent permitted by law.
5. I, the parent/guardian, assert that I have explained to my child/ward: the risks of the activity, his/her responsibilities for adhering to the rules and regulations, and that my child/ward understands this agreement.

I, FOR MYSELF, MY SPOUSE, AND CHILD/WARD, HAVE READ THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT, FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS, UNDERSTAND THAT WE HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND SIGN IT FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT.

ATHLETE UNDERSTANDING OF RISK

_____ (participant name) understands the seriousness of the risks involved in participating in this program, his or her personal responsibilities for adhering to rules and regulations, and accepts them as a participant.

IMAGE RELEASE FORM

In consideration of participation in Bellevue Iowa Youth Soccer, Inc., the undersigned agrees that their likeness, or the likeness of their child/ward may be photographed or videotaped and that such images may be published in an outlet used to promote or publicize the sports program.

(PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE)

(PARENT/GUARDIAN PRINTED NAME)

DATE SIGNED: _____