

# Campbell County Parks and Recreation Youth Soccer League FAQs

## **I haven't heard from my coach yet-- what do I do?**

For Spring Soccer 2026, if you have not heard from your coach by Friday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026, contact the Parks and Recreation office at 434-332-9570, so we can connect you.

## **What equipment does my child need?**

The only equipment players need to procure are shin pads and cleats. Shin pads are recommended for U6 & U8 and required for U10 & up. No metal studded cleats or sneakers are allowed. Coaches will be provided with balls and other items needed for practices.

Full soccer kits will be provided. They include a team jersey, team shorts, and socks.

## **When do practices start? How many practices will there be each week?**

For Spring, practices generally begin in mid-March. In Fall, practices generally begin in mid-August. Once you have been assigned to a team, your coach will reach out to let you know the practice schedule.

Practices for each team will be determined according to field availability and coach's preference. This means that practice times will not be known until after the final team rosters have been created. Each team is required to practice once a week. Additional practices are at the discretion of individual coaches and according to field availability.

## **Do we have practice over school breaks?**

Practices are cancelled during official school breaks and during school closures due to inclement weather.

## **When will I get my jersey?**

There is a tight turnaround between ordering jerseys and the first game, especially since we offer late registrations. We order jerseys immediately at the close of late registration, with the goal to have them delivered to players **before** the first game of the season. Parks and Recreation staff work closely with the coaches to distribute. In some instances, due to shipping delays, jerseys are handed out to players on the first game day.

## **How do the games work?**

The U6 and U8 leagues are managed in-house, meaning the teams in this age group will primarily play other Campbell County teams. When it becomes available, the U6 and U8 game [schedule is available on Team Sideline](#).

U10 and up are managed within the Central Virginia Regional Soccer Association (CVRSA). This means the teams from these age groups will play surrounding area's teams. The other areas consist of Altavista, Bedford, Lynchburg, Amherst, Appomattox, etc. When available, the U10, U12, U15, and U18 (Fall season only) [game schedule is available on the CVRSA website](#).

Games are played on Saturdays and Sundays and last about an hour. Schedules are released as soon as possible each season.

### **What are the rules?**

U6 and U8 are managed in-house and abide by Campbell County Parks and Recreation rules. U10 and up are managed within CVRSA and play by CVRSA rules. [Both sets of rules are available here](#).

### **How long is the season?**

Generally, there are a couple of weeks of practice and then 7 or 8 weekends of games. We do not play on Easter, Memorial Day, or Labor Day weekends. We try to wrap up the Spring season by the end of May and the Fall season by the second week of November.

### **How do I know if a game is cancelled due to weather?**

Game cancellations due to weather will be announced in the following ways:

- Notice on the game schedule on the [CVRSA website](#) (U10 and up)
- Notice on the [Team Sideline](#) website (U6 and U8)
- Notice on the [Campbell County Parks and Recreation Facebook](#) page
- Email to coaches

If the forecast calls for rain, we recommend checking for cancellations before driving to the game field.

### **Are there makeup options if a practice or game is cancelled due to weather?**

If at all possible, yes. Coaches will work with Parks and Recreation staff to schedule.

### **Is there an attendance requirement?**

No, however, we request that you make every effort to attend as many practices and games

as possible.

### **How do I become a coach? What is expected of a coach?**

All of our coaches are volunteers, and we very much appreciate them! We ask that coaches make a time commitment of at least 1 hour per week for practice and attend all games. All coaches must pass a background check, which takes up to 5 days to process. For any coaches that want to brush up on soccer, we have an online training that we offer upon request. The Campbell County Library system also has some “how to” books that are helpful for brushing up on the fundamentals. [Click here for a sampling](#). To express interest in becoming a coach for next season, [click here to view opportunities](#).

### **Is there going to be a jamboree? What is a jamboree?**

Some seasons, CVRSA arranges a jamboree for some age groups. For Spring 2026, the jamboree will be for U10 only. U10 coaches will receive more information about the jamboree via email.

Basically, a jamboree is a fun way for teams to face a couple different opponents in mini games. If offered, the jamboree will replace one of the normal game days teams would have had in the season.

### **How do you determine age groups?**

Teams are grouped by age according to the guidelines put forth by CVRSA. All Parks and Recreation departments participating have agreed to this system, so that team pairings are aligned. Each season, we offer U6, U8, U10, U12, and U15. If there are enough players, we also offer a U18 team in the Fall.

### **What are the expectations for parents?**

All children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult to participate in practices and games. We expect parents and guardians to set a positive example for our players. In addition, all parents must abide by the [Code of Conduct](#) and [Code of Ethics](#) that they signed when registering their child for the league. All park rules and local laws must be obeyed.

**There is a maintenance issue at the playing fields? Who do I report it to?**

For all Campbell County facilities, please [report maintenance issues here](#).

**Where are the various fields located?**

[Here is a list of all the fields](#) operated by Campbell County Parks and Recreation, as well as fields you may be assigned to for away games.

**Do the games have referees? Where do you get your referees?**

Referees are provided for U10 and up. U6 and U8 do not have referees.

Referees are assigned by [Blue Ridge Soccer Officials](#). Our recreational soccer games are prioritized after school leagues and other competitive leagues. This means that occasionally there are not enough referees to call all of our games. In those instances, coaches can choose to referee, the teams can choose to play without a referee, or the game can be rescheduled. This is up to the discretion of each coach and Parks and Recreation staff. If you are interested in becoming a referee, please contact [Blue Ridge Soccer Officials](#) directly.