



## YOU ASKED, WE ANSWERED!

### Our Most Frequently Asked Questions

#### Q: When Does Registration Open:

**A:** Registration for the 2023 Season opens on May 1st

#### Q: How Much is Registration:

**A:** Registration is \$125 for the first player, \$250 for two players, \$350 for three players. Family maximum payment is \$350. TOPSoccer registration is \$50 per player.

#### Q: Who Can Register:

**A:** Players range from PreK to 9<sup>th</sup> grade for our main program. All PreK players must turn 3 before September 1<sup>st</sup> 2024 to be eligible. Referees entering 8<sup>th</sup> grade for the 2024-2025 school year are eligible to register. TOPSoccer Players range from ages 3-18; and TOPS Buddies must turn 13 Prior to the start of the season

#### Q: Why is there a registration fee? Can I avoid it by writing a check or using PayPal / Venmo?

**A:** A nominal fee is added to each family's registration. We cannot offset this fee by paying by check or e-payments. The fee is assessed directly by Sports Connect, our website hosting platform, and is their fee to use their player-insurance site, conduct coaches training, and host our website. BITS cannot remove this fee from any registration, it does not go to the club – it goes directly to Sports Connect.

#### Q: When are the games?

**A:** While our game schedule is not final until late summer, we typically try to follow a similar schedule from year-to-year. **All BITS Games are played at White Oak Park, on Saturdays.** For the past several seasons, we have followed a block schedule, similar to the below:

**9:00 am: Pre-K, 6<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> Grade, TOPS**

**10:45am: Kindergarten, 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade**

**12:30 pm: 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade**

Please note again, that this schedule is **not final** until we block our fields in August, but we are trying to follow this cadence for 2024

#### Q: When are the practices?

**A:** For Players in Grades 1-9, there are **four Monday Night Clinics** that we hold during the season (schedule TBD), as well as a planned Goalie Clinic. Additionally, **coaches for Grades 1-9 may hold additional practices during the week** at their discretion, for team development. These practices are NOT SET BY BITS, they are set by individual parent coaches, and will be communicated to the team in September, once the season starts. Players in **Pre-K and K do not have weekly practices or clinics**, their only time slot is Saturday morning

#### Q: When does the Season start and end?

**A:** Our 10-week season starts Saturday, September 7th; and ends Saturday November 2<sup>th</sup>; we reserve November 9<sup>th</sup> as a rain date

**Q What about Uniforms?**

A: BITS provides a reversible pinnie to each player. Players should wear black shorts or pants with their pinnie to complete their uniform. Socks, cleats and shin guards MUST be worn for all games.

**Q: My child is getting their ears pierced over the summer. Can they wear earrings?**

**A:** *No Jewelry may be worn during BITS games, practices or clinics.* Parents who are planning to have children's ears pierced over the summer, please keep this in mind that ALL EARRINGS MUST BE REMOVED PRIOR TO EACH GAME. No tape or Band-Aids may be worn over the earrings.

**For all other questions – please feel free to email us at [bitssoccer@gmail.com](mailto:bitssoccer@gmail.com)**