



Elmbrook United Soccer

Recreational Soccer Program 2021-2022

Elmbrook United Soccer's recreational program is open to boys and girls, ages 5 through 15 (born in 2007 to 2017, and not yet in high school). It allows children to learn teamwork, sportsmanship and the basic skills of soccer, while having fun. It is open to players of all skill levels. Teams are coached by volunteer, parent coaches under the direction of EBU's Recreational Coaching Director, Robert Williams.

SEASONS – Players have the option to sign up for full-year (fall and spring), fall-only, or spring-only soccer seasons. The fall season begins the Saturday after Labor Day and includes a weekly practice or clinic and eight soccer games. The spring season begins in April and includes a weekly practice, seven games, and participation in the EBU Bob Buss Recreational Tournament, which is held in June. Registration for full-year and fall-only soccer normally begins May 15 and continues through June 30. Registration for spring-only soccer begins January 15 and continues through March 1.

COST – The registration fee for full-year soccer (fall and spring) is \$260. The registration fee for fall-only or spring-only soccer is \$200. (Note: If a player registers for the fall only and wants to play in the spring, they will need to re-register for the spring and pay the registration fee of \$200.) Each of these fees includes a soccer uniform - a jersey, shorts & socks. In addition to the registration fee, each family must pay a \$125 volunteer fee at the time of registration. This fee is refunded to families after they have completed one volunteer job for each child they have registered with EBU.

TEAM FORMATION – In line with the rules of Wisconsin Youth Soccer Association, EBU teams are formed by birth year (2007-2017), not school grade. EBU also strives to form teams that are balanced, with players of equal skills and ability, on each team in each age group. Players are reassessed and teams reformed each fall to help achieve this balance. EBU does not honor requests for players to be assigned to a specific a team or placed with specific friends. Practices are held weeknights, once a week, either 5-6 pm or 6-7 pm at parks & schools throughout Brookfield and Elm Grove. Coaches choose the time and location of their practices. U6 players (2016- 2017 birth years) have clinics before their games in the fall, instead of weeknight practices. They graduate to weekly practices in the spring.

GAMES – Recreational team members play at least half of every game. Most games are played on Saturdays. However, some games may be played on weeknights and Sundays. Older players (U13-U15) may play in the Waukesha Area league (WARS), allowing them to play teams in surrounding communities.

TO REGISTER – Beginning May 15 for Full Year or Fall Only or January 15 for Spring Only, go to our website: www.ElmbrookUnited.com, click on the "registration" tab at the top of the page, and follow the registration link. A credit card will be needed to register. All registration received after registration close date in fall spring will be charged a late fee. Also, children registered after these dates are not guaranteed a spot on a team. They will be placed on a team, only if room is available. Any requests for refunds must be made in writing to info@elmbrookunited.com and will be processed minus a \$25 administrative fee. No refunds will be given after the season has started.