

Sun City Strikers

The Premier Soccer Club of Yakima

The Sun City Strikers are a club within the Yakima Youth Soccer Association (YYSA). The purpose of this club is to promote the game of soccer for teams and players by developing individual players to their fullest potential, providing the highest possible level of technical and tactical training, teaching sportsmanship, teamwork and competitive team play, providing highly skilled and capable players with opportunities to excel in the sport, and attracting and retaining the highest quality coaches in the area.

Number of Teams

□ **U-11/U12:** 1-2 teams

□ **U-13 to U-18:** 3-4 teams (A, B and District teams)

Final number of teams is dependent on number of players accepting and the assessment of available talent by coaching staff at the tryout.

Tryout Schedules

Tryouts will be 1-2 sessions and are grouped by gender and based on age as of the August 1st. Tryouts are held at the Perry Soccer Complex on various days and times from March to May with the schedule posted on yysa.org. Check the website for venue, date or time changes before attending any tryout session. For the most exposure to coaches, players should attend all scheduled sessions. If attendance, is an issue please contact the tryout coordinator at the first session. Players may be asked back during the week to attend a workout with the coach.

The tryout fee is \$15.00. A number will be assigned and should be worn at each session until teams are chosen.

Tryout Results & Team Formation

Our goal is to publish, on the yysa.org website, the final team placement no later than Friday of the following week. The player's tryout number will be listed with the team they have made. Upon player selection, registration fees of \$125 are due to hold the placement on a team.

Player Costs

- Player Registration Fee: \$125, due upon making the team
- Numbered Uniforms: approx. \$80 (Optional Warm-up and Bag: approx \$100)
- Player Coaches Fees: \$20-\$45/month State/PDL teams; \$0 District teams
- Coaches Travel Expenses – varies monthly (receipt reimbursement)

Uniform Costs (every two years)

The Sun City Strikers Kit includes: two numbered jerseys, two pair of shorts, two pairs socks. The optional warm-ups will have the SCS logo. The SCS committee must approve any customization. All uniforms, bags, and warm-ups must be purchased through the approved vender. In order to get uniforms delivered timely, teams must have them ordered no later than May 1st.

Travel

During season, home matches are will be at Chesterly Soccer Park or Perry Soccer Complex. Away matches will be within WA and vary based on league. Tournaments are both within and outside of WA. Players are responsible for their own travel expenses.

Where are Practices and Games?

Games are played at the Chesterly Soccer Park and Perry Soccer Complex. Outdoor practices are primarily at the Perry Soccer Complex, but will be dependent upon field availability. Some teams may need to practice at one of the local school fields.

Practice Schedules

Training starts immediately after teams are selected. Teams train 2 to 3 times per week. Practice times change locations and times through the year.

Pre-Season Tournaments

State and PDL teams are required to play in the YYSA Mid-Summer Classic the last weekend in June and the Nike Challenge in mid-July. Other tournament play (1-3) is encouraged during the summer. Coaches choose the team's tournaments with direction from Club and team's ability.

2008/2009 Length of Season

In an effort to align our schedule with the State association (WSYSA), our season will move to a June 2008 to June 2009 year. This will mean for some teams the next season will actually run 15 months.

- Pre-Season 2008: March - September
- Fall League Play 2008: September – December
- Spring League Play 2009: February – April
- State Cup
- BU15-18: February – March

League Play

The Sun City Strikers Club plays in the Player Development League (PDL) U11-U15, Washington State Premier League (WSPL) U16-U18, and District 6 U13-U18. For the PDL and WSPL, a season averages 14 matches over 15 weeks. The Fall League starts the weekend after Labor Day and ends before Christmas. The 2009 Spring League begins in February and will end by April. The U11 and U12 league will have 10 games in the Fall League and 10 games in the Spring League. For District 6, the U13-U14 season consists of 10 games in the Fall League and 8 games in the Spring League. The GU15 and above will play in the High School Division which is an 8 game season in the spring.

Season End Tournaments / State Cups

All Sun City Striker PDL and WSPL teams are required to participate in one of the Washington State tournaments at the end of the year. The fee for this tournament is approximately \$400/team

- Most Competitive: US Youth Soccer State Championship, U12-U18
- Competitive: WSYSA Challenge Cup, U11-U18

Our teams participating in District 6 are also encouraged to participate in the following:

- Commissioners' Cup
- District 6 Boys Tournament (September)
- District 6 Girls Tournament (March)

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