



We build strong kids, strong families, strong communities.

2008 Spring Registration Information

Boys & Girls PreK – 4th Grade
Season: April 14th – June 7th

GRADE LEVELS:

Participants will be placed on five Age/Grade levels; Itty Bitty (3-4), Pre-K (ages 4-5), Kindergarten, 1st-2nd Grade, and 3rd-4th Grades. Coed teams will be formed at all levels.

PARENT'S MEETING:

Thursday April 10th, 5:30 PM in the gym

The purpose of this meeting is to help parents better understand our program, our goals, and our values. Although this meeting is not mandatory, it will be used as a tool to work through parental conflicts and program challenges. We invite all of you to attend.

COACHES MEETING & TRAINING:

Thursday April 10th, 6:00 PM in the gym

Immediately following the Parent Orientation, and to ensure a quality experience for participants and volunteers alike, the Helena Family YMCA will be offering a Coaches Meeting/Training. This is a MANDATORY training for all first-time coaches. Local experts and experienced YMCA coaches will be on hand to help teach practice skills, game fundamentals, and skill techniques.

FEES:

Youth Sports Fees are:

\$35.00 for Y-Members

\$55.00 for Non-members

The YMCA also offers a \$10.00 credit for those parents volunteering to coach. There is a \$5.00 discount for each subsequent child registered. This applies only to siblings. All Fees include a YMCA T-shirt, referee costs (3rd-4th grades only), and participant awards. Financial Assistance is available for those in need. Monies for our Financial Assistance programs are raised through the YMCA's annual Friends of Youth Support Campaign.

PRACTICES:

Your child's practice site and time will be determined by the coach at the coaches meeting. Practices are usually one hour in length and one time per week.

GAMES:

Games begin on Saturday, April 26th, and will conclude on or before Saturday, June 7th, and include one weekday game during the season. Games will not be played over Memorial Day Weekend. Games will be one hour long and will be played at a site yet to be determined.

REGISTRATION PERIOD:

Registrations for the 2008 Spring Soccer Program will begin on Tuesday February 19th, and **END ON FRIDAY APRIL 4th, 2008**. Participants will be placed on teams by school. Teams do fill up, therefore Sign-ups are on a **FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED BASIS!** Requests will not be honored except in the case of siblings.

PROGRAM WITHDRAWAL:

Our purpose is to provide the best quality programs for the most affordable price, based on adequate enrollments. Therefore, **NO REFUNDS** will be granted once the season has started. A credit (minus a \$5 Administrative Charge) can be arranged for future programs. All requests **must** be in writing.

YMCA PHILOSOPHY:

In YMCA Youth Sports, we strive to provide a structured environment emphasizing fun and learning, while teaching sportsmanship and teamwork. In YMCA Youth Sports, every child gets the opportunity to participate equally, regardless of his or her ability. **Everyone Plays At The YMCA!**