

SPORTS PHILOSOPHY

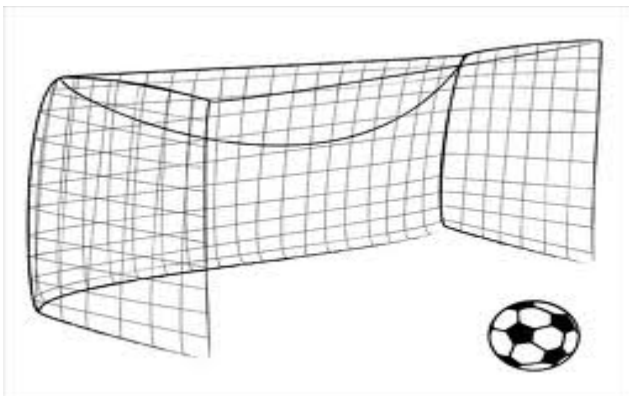
The philosophy of MRC/YMCA youth sports programs is to use sports as a tool to develop each participant physically, mentally and spiritually.

Emphasis is on teaching the values of good sportsmanship, teamwork, goal setting and skill development in a fun, esteem-promoting atmosphere.

In our program, the athlete is first and winning is second. Because of this, our recreational leagues guarantee that all participants play half of each game {or as equal playing time as possible}.

Participants also learn the core values of caring, honesty, respect and responsibility. As a result, sportsmanship is required from participants, coaches and spectators.

Our sport programs emphasize fun, skill development, sportsmanship and teamwork in a positive environment. Players, coaches and spectators are expected to follow YMCA core values of caring, honesty, respect and responsibility.



YOUTH SOCCER CONTACTS



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Youth Sports
City of Lindsborg

YOUTH SOCCER



FIND US ONLINE:

To register online, view league schedules & more please visit the following websites:

City of Lindsborg - Youth Recreation Programs

www.lindsborgcity.org

McPherson Recreation Commission - Lindsborg

www.ymca-mrc.com/mrc/sitepages/otherrecs.htm

www.facebook.com/mcphersonrecreationcommission

ABOUT YOUTH SOCCER

Youth sport leagues focus on fundamentals and new skill development. All participants play a minimum of half of each game. Sportsmanship and values are key components of this league. Teams are put together by the program director.

Age/Divisions

The division your child plays in is determined by the grade your child currently is in school.

- 3, 4, 5 Year Old (Coed)
- Kindergarten (Coed)
- 1st-2nd Grade (Coed)
- 3rd-4th Grade (Coed)
- 5th-6th Grade (Coed)
- 7th-8th Grade (Coed)

League

6 games per season with weekly practices
Registration deadline: Friday, March. 2, 2012
Practices begin: Week of March 19, 2012
Games begin: Saturday, March 31, 2012

Uniform

Team t-shirt is provided and each child should wear comfortable shorts, shin guards and athletic shoes (Cleats are recommended).

Fees

\$26.00 Lindsborg residents
Free with free/reduced lunch coupon
\$7.00 late fee is added after deadline



FAQ & PARENT INFO

When is the last day to register?

Depending on if the league fills up, players can sign up until the first week of games. Late registrations will be accepted (subject to a \$7 late fee), as long as space is available.

When are practices?

Teams practice 1-2 times a week for 30 minutes to one hour each time. Days and times are determined by the volunteer coach and field availability. Saturday practices may be scheduled until games begin.

How do I find out about coaching?

Volunteer coaches are an integral part of our youth sports program. No experience is required and assistant and head coaching positions are available.

For youth soccer, Bethany College players will be leading the majority of the teams but we would welcome any volunteer to assist alongside them.

A training meeting is provided for coaches on teaching skill development and sportsmanship. All volunteers must be willing to complete volunteer packet and consent to a background check. If you are interested in coaching, please visit with the program director.

Weather & Emergency Updates

During inclement weather, please call the Sports Hotline at 620-241-1331 or listen to KNGL/KBBE 96.7 FM for current game and practice information.

For practices, this line will be updated at 4 p.m.; for games this line will be updated one hour prior to game time or as soon as possible.

Join our online community

To register online, view schedules & more visit www.ymca-mrc.org! View photos and give us feedback on Facebook. Search for "McPherson Recreation Commission". Follow us on Twitter @McPhersonRecComm to receive text notices on your phone for poor field conditions, weather cancellations, schedule updates and emergencies.

All schedule updates are posted online at www.mcphersonrecreationcommission.org for download. For Lindsborg specific programs, click on the "Other Rec Comm" button on the left hand navigation bar. Copies are also available at the front desk and the City of Lindsborg office.

Financial Aid

We believe all children can benefit from youth sports and physical activity. If you have a financial hardship preventing your child from registering, please take advantage of the financial aid coupon below. If you have any questions concerning financial aid, please call the Program Director.

MRC TEAM SPORT FINANCIAL AID COUPON 	
Students who qualify for Free or Reduced School Lunches can sign up for any Y/MRC team sport for FREE by completing and returning this coupon at registration. Take this coupon to the district office and have them sign below that you qualify for Free or Reduced Lunches. Coupon must be turned in at time of registration to receive discount. Coupon not good for late fees or billing fees.	
"I am a school official & I certify that these children qualify."	
Staff Signature: _____	
Child's Name: _____	Grade: _____
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