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Who We Are



The Santa Barbara Soccer Club (SBSC) has a professional coaching staff, comprised of some of the area's most experienced youth soccer coaches. They continually strive to ensure the development of the individual player, while teaching the importance of team effort, fair competition and good sportsmanship.

SBSC is also guided by a Board of Directors that meets on a monthly basis. These board members are made up of a small group of parents and community members who all bring a variety of skill sets and knowledge that allows SBSC to supply the best experience and opportunities possible for its players.



What We Do

SBSC operates as a non-profit 501(C)(3) organization dedicated to the advancement and training of youth soccer players while promoting understanding, skill, appreciation and enjoyment of the great game.

Our aim is to prepare players for the highest levels within the sport: Olympic Development Program, College, National Team, and Professional Soccer. Our emphasis is on long-term player growth and development. The players are given a foundation for the game on which they can improve and develop. Players are instructed in a team system and environment where the individual can excel.

Santa Barbara Soccer Club:

- ☑ Uses a set curriculum that emphasizes the long term development of its teams and the individual players
- ☑ Promotes a playing time policy that ensures that every player selected onto a team will play a minimum amount of time in each and every game.
- ☑ Discourages unnecessary travel for its players and teams especially at the younger ages

As a non-profit, SBSC depends on generous donations from local businesses and families. SBSC also relies on annual fundraisers and club fees in order to provide a quality soccer education and positive learning environment for its players.

Cost to Service Ratio

The Club charges an annual fee of:

\$1250 (U9 & U18) \$1625 (U10 – U17)

Payment Plans & Scholarships are available



The Club operates on a ten-month season, August through May and so each player is paying the equivalent of approx \$160 per month which covers:

- Two coaching sessions a week with a professional coach
- Weekend games from September to November
- Five tournaments throughout the season
- Two full uniforms & warm-ups
- Practice fields, game fields & referee's fees

Additionally all players are also offered free weekly:

- One-vs-One coaching sessions
- Creating and finishing sessions
- Goalkeeping specific training
- Injury Prevention Program

On top of this the Club has managed to Scholarship approx. 80 players into the club for the season 08-09

This is only made possible by raising the necessary \$65,000 per year to cover this cost.

SBSC also offers the following programs:

U8 Developmental Program (\$250 for 5 months): Open to all players 7-8 years old and is designed to introduce the fundamental, team and individual skills of the game to the young athlete that is considering Club soccer as an option in the future. Scholarships are available.

SBSC Academy (\$6 per session): Open to all players 6-12 years old and is designed to coach players (not teams) with a passion for the game and a desire to improve or hone their individual skills.

The SBSC Club Commitment

The typical SBSC Club Soccer Season is as follows:

June – July:

OFF Season - SBSC promotes downtime for its athletes in order to prevent burn-out

August:

Pre-Season Training - Practices + One SBSC tournament

September – November:

League Play - 2 Practices during the week and 1 or 2 games on the weekend

December:

Winter Break - Practices Only

January – May:

Tournament play - Teams will play, on average, one tournament per month (inc. State & National Cup) continuing to practice twice a week throughout

SBSC asks that players and families fully commit to the following:

- 1) Two scheduled practices sessions per week
- 2) Attend all scheduled league and tournament games throughout the year
- 3) One parent volunteer four hours of their time at SBSC's main fundraising events, (Two Soccer tournaments per year)

4) **SBSC/AYSO conflicts:** AYSO is committed to the "everyone plays" philosophy; however.....

"Both SBSC and AYSO have agreed to encourage players to select either AYSO or SBSC for the league, All Star or tournament seasons.

Both organizations believe that playing on two soccer teams at the same time is difficult, at best. The stresses of compromising commitments as young players are forced to choose between which game to play and which coach to listen too is not consistent with the core values of either AYSO or SBSC."

5) **Financial** - U8 & U18 (\$1250) U10-U17 (\$1625)

SBSC does have players that play multiple sports and while SBSC does ask for priority there are many families that easily manage to make it viable to play soccer and other sports.