

LOGANSPORT SOCCER CLUB  
TRAVEL SOCCER INFORMATION  
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1. Contact: Andrew Stephenson – Travel Coordinator  
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2. What: Travel soccer is a competitive soccer program for players who want a step up from recreational soccer.
3. Why: Challenge our players to be the best they can be.
  - a. Competing versus playing: different kind of fun. You're here to improve – not just play. Enjoyment comes from improvement and progress and playing against good competition that pushes you to excel.
  - b. Commitment: training 2x per week. Attendance is expected, not optional. Practice at home on off days.
  - c. Development: players maximize their potential. Winning comes as a result.
    - i. Presumption of equal playing time (league games)
    - ii. No set positions, everyone plays everywhere (except GK)
    - iii. Age/skill-appropriate instruction
    - iv. Licensed, experienced coaches
4. Who:
  - a. Players: we can field teams for players born from 2006 to 2016. 2025 minus birth year gives "soccer age".
    - i. 12Us – born 2013 and 2014
    - ii. 10Us – born 2015 and 2016
  - b. Coaches:
    - i. Committed for the fall and spring
    - ii. Licensed (USSF/USC for their age group)
    - iii. Experienced (ideally but not necessary)
  - c. Team managers: help recruit the team, set schedules, etc.
  - d. Referees: if we want home games, we need licensed referees.
  - e. Year Parents: help program coordinator and team managers with recruiting, organizing, etc.
  - f. Players' families: this is our program's biggest need
    - i. Commitment: see the value of travel soccer and commit your players and yourselves to the program. Help with field setup and maintenance, concession stand, etc.
    - ii. Identification of players: coaches, managers, club need help identifying potential travel players, convincing their parents the program is worth the effort, etc.

- iii. Club culture: help us create an environment that fosters hard work, smart play, and fun while remaining inclusive and helping nurture love for the game.
- 5. When: Year goes fall to spring.
  - a. Training
    - i. 2 evenings per week
    - ii. Fall: beginning mid-August, ending late October
    - iii. Spring: beginning mid-March, ending early June
  - b. Games
    - i. 6-8 league games, mostly Saturdays and Sundays, occasional weeknight
    - ii. Friendly games possible
    - iii. Half home, half away (IF WE CAN FIND REFEREES!!!)
  - c. Tournaments
    - i. State/Presidents/Challenge/Memorial Cup in Spring: 3 more preliminary games, finals late May/early June if qualify.
  - d. Ideally, commit to fall and spring seasons (14U down)
- 6. Where: depends on grouping, but usually either north or south
  - a. North: Northern IN (Logansport would be southernmost team)
    - i. Fort Wayne, South Bend, Crown Point
  - b. South: Central IN (Logansport would be northernmost team)
    - i. Indianapolis, Avon, Greenfield
- 7. Cost:
  - a. Player registration fee: \$100 flat fee
  - b. Uniforms: \$120 ordered through soccer.com.
  - c. Scholarships are available for families with financial need.
- 8. Website will be set up soon for \$50 deposits.
  - a. Deposits due by June 30 (refundable if no team forms)
  - b. Remainder of team fees will be due by July 31.
- 9. 12Us: need more 2013 and 2014 players, need coaches.
- 10. 10Us: need more 2015 and 2016 players, need coaches.