



Lenoir Youth Soccer Association

Lenoir Youth Soccer Association is now offering a **U10 Academy Program** for players in the U10, U9, and U8 age levels. The Academy will start with this upcoming Spring Soccer Season

What is the Academy Program?

Academy programs have emerged as the 21st century alternative to the frustrating shortfalls in soccer development displayed by most pre-teens. The void is heavily influenced by coaching quality and the pressures to win at critical periods in the development process.

Academy programs seek to improve individual player development, satisfaction and retention, and to build less pressured youth soccer environments for coaches, adult spectators, and match officials.

U10 Academy Program



What are the benefits of academy play?

The Academy Program philosophy is to emphasize player development over team development and focus on the technical development of each child without the pressures of short-term wins/losses/results. This philosophy encourages players to be more creative and the playing environment becomes more enjoyable.

Who will we play?

Academy teams will compete against like teams from other NCYSA U10 Academy programs and from in-house academy games.

How much travel will we have?

Travel usually occurs once or twice a month when associations get together to have play days. There will be one weekend statewide festival in the fall and one in the spring.

Is there a licensing requirement for the coaches?

Each association must appoint an Academy Director who must hold a National Youth License. Staff working with Academy Programs must hold the Youth II Module qualification designed for working with U10 players.

How much does it cost?

The cost for the Spring 2008 Soccer Season is \$125 per player. This fee covers uniforms, NCYSA player fees, match referee fees, coach's salary, team equipment, and other associated fees. A team budget will be available for interested players.

We welcome players from the area to register and play on these teams. Other registration info will be available at:

www.lenoiryouthsoccer.com

Registration/Practice Session for spring 2008 Academy Teams will be: November 15 and 22 from 12:00 – 1:15pm At the Rotary Soccer Complex on Zack's Fork Road in Lenoir If you are interested in playing and cannot attend these dates contact Rick Pierce or Steve Connor at info@lenoiryouthsoccer.com Visit our web page for more info.