

Frequently Asked Travel Questions

Who is eligible to play Travel Soccer?

Any child that resides in the Cloverleaf School district, or any child from a neighboring school district that does not offer a travel program that plays in OHTSL. Special arrangements can be made for those children wishing to play for Cloverleaf and residing in school district that already plays in OHTSL as well.

What is a typical travel soccer season like?

The fall and spring seasons consist of 8 games (usually one per week) and two practices per week. Games are usually played on Sunday afternoons but there might be 2 or 3 played on a weeknight. Most teams also participate in one or more indoor soccer sessions during the winter months.

How much travel is involved?

Each season (Fall and Spring) teams play 4 home and 4 away games in their league. The home games are played at the CSA fields off Buffham Road. The away games are played in other communities in and around Northeast Ohio. Most games will be around the west side of Cleveland; however there are games that can travel as far east as Mentor, south to Wooster and west to Norwalk or Sandusky. Teams may also participate in tournaments picked by the coach. These tournaments can be all over Ohio or in neighboring states and can require overnight stays.

How are teams selected?

Players are assigned teams based on evaluations at tryouts and with input from the head coach of the players current travel team. For the younger age groups "evaluators" (experienced coaches and trainers) are employed to help determine the appropriate team to which a child is assigned. Generally we have one team per age group and at times we may need to combine age groups to make teams.

How is playing time during games handled?

There is no guaranteed playing time in any age group but head coaches are directed to distribute playing time fairly and try to even out game to game variations over the season.

What type of commitment is required?

It is expected that your child will arrive on time for all practices and games unless you have notified the head coach in advance. If a child has a schedule conflict with practices on a consistent basis it is expected that parents will adjust the conflicting schedule so at least one practice each week can be attended.

How much does Travel Soccer Cost?

The exact cost varies from year to year depending on league fees, ref fees, and various other costs. Reasonable estimates are between \$75 and \$100 per season. There are 2 seasons to one soccer year (Fall and Spring). Some teams play or train over the winter as well at the coach's discretion. Costs and schedules are handled by the individual coach and not CSA for winter training. The travel uniform is the responsibility of the player as well. The Full Travel Kit (Uniform Shirt, Matching Shorts and Socks and a conflict shirt costs around \$ 60. Typically this Kit will last a player two years. If you get two year out of a uniform, the annual cost for Travel soccer is between \$ 190 and \$200. Rec over that time period is \$ 100.