



# 2023 Spring Soccer FAQs – Caine Halter YMCA

REGISTRATION: January 1<sup>st</sup>–30<sup>th</sup> Practice Starts: Week of February 27<sup>th</sup> GAMES: March 11<sup>th</sup> – April 29<sup>th</sup>  
 Late Registration: January 31<sup>st</sup>– February 6<sup>th</sup> (\$20 late fee will apply)

## WHAT SHOULD MY CHILD BRING?

AGE	PRACTICE LOCATION	GAME LOCATION	CLEATS	SHIN GUARDS	DRESS	WATER BOTTLE	Soccer Ball
3 Coed	Fields 4A – 4E on Fields Behind ARP Church; CH Field 3	CH Field 4	Recommended, but not required	Required	Comfortably (shorts, t-shirt)	YES	Preferred. Size 3
4-5 Coed	Fields 4A – 4E on Fields Behind ARP Church; CH Field 3	CH Field 4	Recommended, but not required	Required	Comfortably (shorts, t-shirt)	YES	Preferred. Size 3
6-7	CH Y fields 2A – 2D	CH Field 2	Recommended, but not required	Required	Comfortably (shorts, t-shirt)	YES	Preferred. Size 3
8-9	CH Field 1 by Trail and Parking Lot	CH and other Greenville Y's	Highly recommended	Required	Comfortably (shorts, t-shirt)	YES	Preferred. Size 4
10-11	CH Field 3 by the Pavilion	CH and other Greenville Y's	Highly recommended	Required	Comfortably (shorts, t-shirt)	YES	Preferred. Size 4
12-14	CH Field 3 by the Pavilion	CH and other Greenville Y's	Highly recommended	Required	Comfortably (shorts, t-shirt)	YES	Preferred. Size 5

## WHAT IS PROVIDED IN MY REGISTRATION FEE?

**MEMBERS - \$85, COMMUNITY - \$120**

The YMCA is committed to providing the highest quality program for you and your family. Staff is provided to oversee all operations of practices and games. Referees are trained in rules and regulations of soccer. Fields are maintained and kept in safe and presentable conditions. Additionally, your child will be provided with a team jersey. Every child will receive an end of the season medal. Eight games are scheduled.

## DOES THE YMCA GUARANTEE MY REQUESTS?

The YMCA cannot guarantee any requests that are made for days, times, coaches, etc. We try our hardest to accommodate all requests.

## WHAT AGE GROUP SHOULD MY CHILD BE IN?

Your child should be in an age group based on their birth date. The first day of practice, February 27<sup>th</sup>, is the deadline for an age group (e.g. a 7 year old that turns 8 before the first day of practices would have to play in the 8/9 age group)

## WILL THE YMCA COMMUNICATE INFORMATION WITH ME?

Yes, the primary forms of communication are through email & PlayerSpace. The YMCA will communicate practice schedules, game schedules, and other important information throughout the season via PlayerSpace. Please add the @ymcagreenville.org & @playerspace.com domains to your safe sender list so emails do not go to your junk folder.

## WHAT IS PLAYERSPACE?

Playerspace is a tool that the Y uses to keep parents and coaches informed. This program will enhance your experience and keep you informed throughout the season. You can message your coach & fellow parents, sync your game schedule to your phone, post pictures, etc.

## **WHEN SHOULD I HEAR FROM THE COACH?**

Coaches are expected to review their rosters and contact their players the week of February 20<sup>th</sup> , after the coaches meeting. Please contact Michael Shealy, Sports Director at [michael.shealy@ymcagreenville.org](mailto:michael.shealy@ymcagreenville.org) if you have not heard from your coach by one week before practices start.

## **PRACTICE INFORMATION**

Practices begin the week of February 27<sup>th</sup>

- Age 3 will practice from 5:30 – 6:00 and play their game from 6:00 – 6:30 on Mondays. Ages 4-5 will have practices once per week beginning at 5:30pm on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday or Friday.
- Ages 6 & 7 will have practice once per week at 5:30pm Monday-Friday.
- Practices for ages 8-14 will be twice per week and will begin at 5:30 or 6:45 Monday-Friday. Coaches will choose the practice time for the team they coach.

## **WHEN WILL THE GAMES BE PLAYED?**

- Ages 3 will have games on the same day and time of their scheduled practices, after completing one week of practice.
- Ages 4-5 will play Saturday mornings on Fields 4A – E at Caine Halter.
- Ages 6-7 will have games on Saturdays from 9:00am-3:00pm on fields 2A – 2D at Caine Halter.
- Ages 8-14 will have games on Saturdays from 9:00am-4:00pm. Games will be at Caine Halter and/or any of the other YMCA of Greenville branches.
  - We will have one weeknight game during the season

## **WHAT ABOUT INCLEMENT WEATHER AND CANCELLATIONS?**

- Practices- the Sports Director will call practices under severe weather (lighting, thunder storms, tornado watch), ongoing hard rain, snow/ice, fields unplayable, and/or any possible weather threats. **Otherwise, any other weather conditions such as small rain showers will be at the discretion of the coach.** This is for all ages. **Please get a contact list of the Head Coach, Assistant Coach, and Team parent to see if practice is called off.** If the YMCA does call practices, the decision will be made by 4:30pm. Always check with your coach to see if it's cancelled.
- Games- the **Sports Director will call games** at the earliest time possible. The Sports Director will call or email all coaches as soon as a decision is made. **This decision will be made by 4:30pm for weekdays and 8:00am on Saturdays.** After this time, all decisions will be made on the field and information will be given to the Member Services desk at the YMCA. Always check with your coach to see if it's cancelled.

## **WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW ABOUT TEAM AND INDIVIDUAL PICTURES?**

After the game schedule has been created, we will send it to the photographer and he will develop a picture schedule. As soon as we get this, we will pass it along to coaches and parents through email. PortraitEFX is the photography company. Any inquiries regarding problems with picture orders or not receiving your pictures should be sent to Todd Rogers at (864) 616-7999 or [trogers@portraitefx.com](mailto:trogers@portraitefx.com).

## **IS THERE AN END OF SEASON PARTY?**

Medals will be given to coaches before the end of the season. It is up to coaches to pass them out after the last game or at a party. If you would like your team to have a party to pass out medals, make arrangements with your coach and/or team parent to help set one up.

## **IS FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE?**

Yes, please ask the front desk for the paperwork needed to apply for financial assistance. For questions on this process, please call the front desk at (864) 679-9622.

## **HOW CAN I GET A REFUND/ CREDIT?**

Refund Policy-

DATE	REFUND/CREDIT
January 1 – February 6	A full refund will be issued.
February 7 - February 26	Credit or refund minus \$20
February 27 and after	No refund. (Unless emergency and/or doctor's note)

## **HAVE A QUESTION NOT LISTED HERE?**

Please direct all questions and concerns to Michael Shealy, Sports Director at 864-679-9622, [michael.shealy@ymcagreenville.org](mailto:michael.shealy@ymcagreenville.org)