



Soccer 2024

How do I register?

You can find a link to register online at f<u>hyaa.com</u> on April 1st

Where are practices and games held?

At the FHYAA fields located at 66-01 Fleet Street in Forest Hills

How often are games and when are they played?

- **Clinic (3 and 4 years old):** Saturdays, Sundays 9-10am
- **Co-ed Under 6:** 2 games/week, Saturday and Sunday, times vary
- **Co-ed Under 8**: 2 games/week, Saturday and Sunday, times vary
- All other divisions: 2 games/week, rotating games on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday

Weekday games may be added for U8 and up based on # of teams

Can I make teammate or coach requests?

For players aged 7 and below and for girls in the Juniors (Under 12) and Seniors (Under 15) divisions, we try to honor friend and coach requests when possible. These requests must be made at the time of registration on the form.

How often are practices and when are they held?

Practices vary by team, but are usually once a week, per the coaches' availability and at their discretion. This will be communicated to families once teams are finalized.

What equipment does my child need to play?

All players are required to wear shin guards. Cleats or sneakers are fine for U8 divisions. Cleats are required for all players aged 8 and up. The league will provide uniforms and socks. Uniform shirts are required for game days.

When will I find out what team my child is on? When will I receive a game schedule?

Teams and schedules will be sent mid-August before the season starts. If you haven't heard from your coach by that time, please email <u>fhyaasoccer@gmail.com</u>.

What age does the all-girls league start?

Girls who are 7 and older in 2024 may opt to be in the all-girls league.





Who do I contact if I'm interested in becoming a referee?

Referees must have previously played in the FHYAA soccer program. Please contact <u>fhsl.ref@gmail.com</u> if you meet this criteria and would like to apply to be a referee.

What is the cost of the league?

The registration fee is \$300 per player for the 2024 season.

What if my child decides they don't want to play after we sign up?

We will try to accommodate a refund if the request is made before the season starts, but refunds are reviewed on a case by case basis

What is the weather policy?

We strive to play as many games as possible, but will suspend or cancel games in inclement weather. You will be notified via email, via coaches communications, on the FHYAA website, and in the Facebook group. If you are not notified, please assume the game is on.

How can I be a coach?

There is an area to indicate that you'd like to coach on the registration form. You may also specify if there is someone you'd like to coach with. If you'd like more information, please email <u>fhsl.coaches@gmail.com</u>.

Do I need to be a Forest Hills resident to play?

No, all players are welcome.

How can I connect with others in the FHYAA community?

Follow FHYAA on <u>Facebook</u> or <u>Instagram</u>. Hang out at the fields before and after games. Grab a snack at the snack bar. Attend FHYAA fundraisers and events.

What holidays are observed?

Fields are typically closed for Yom Kippur and Rosh Hashanah and no games or practices are held.

How can I donate to FHYAA?

You can donate on the registration form and an option to donate on our new website is coming soon



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Will my child play in games?

Yes, FHYAA is an inclusive community league committed to delivering the positive benefits of team sports for all children.

How is the league run?

The league officials (aka The Soccer Committee) is a small group of parent volunteers whose children currently play or previously played in the league. They dedicate their time with no compensation to better the community. The success of the league is defined by the volunteer coaches. The refs are all former players. In short, the league is run by the families of Forest Hills (and neighboring communities). Please be kind to all league officials, coaches, and refs!

What size ball is used?

- Clinic, U6, and U8 size 3
- U10, Bantam, Juniors size 4
- U12, U14, Seniors size 5

How can I sponsor a team?

Thank you, we need sponsors for all teams! A sponsorship costs \$350 and places your business name (or any team name you prefer) on the front of the team shirts. You also receive additional exposure via our website, emails, and social channels. You can email <u>fhyaasoccer@gmail.com</u> if interested.

What will happen if my child misses some games and practices?

As parents ourselves, we understand that vacations happen, kids get sick, or life just becomes crazy. We encourage you to make as many practices and games as you can, so children can benefit from the league to the fullest extent. However, there are no league penalties for missing games or practices.

How long is the season?

The season starts in September and ends in early November. U10, U12, U14, and all girls divisions have playoffs and an all-star game.

How are teams created?

The following divisions will hold a draft in 2024: Co-ed Under 10, Co-ed Under 12, Co-ed Under 14, Girls Bantam (Under 10)

Teams in the following divisions are created largely based on a teammate and coach requests: Co-ed Under 6, Co-ed Under 8, Girls Juniors (Under 12), and Girls Seniors (Under 15)



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What divisions will there be this season?

All ages are based on the calendar year. For example, if your child turns 6 in 2024, they would play in the Under 8 division.

- Clinic 3 and 4 year olds
- Co-ed Under 6 5 year olds
- Co-ed Under 8 6 and 7 year olds
- Co-ed Under 10 8 and 9 year olds
- Co-ed Under 12 10 and 11 year olds
- Co-ed Under 14 12 and 13 year olds
- Girls Bantam (Under 10) 7, 8, and 9 year olds
- Girls Juniors (Under 12) 10 and 11 year olds
- Girls Seniors (Under 15) 12, 13, and 14 year olds