



## **Dakota Community Centre: OUTDOOR MINI SOCCER**

The season may be scheduled to begin as early as April 30th (weather permitting) and, to coincide with the school calendar, will end during or before the last week of June. There will be no rescheduling for rain or other inclement weather/field conditions.

***Parent involvement is encouraged.*** Dropping your child off and leaving is not permitted.

Kids consider fun in a number of ways: playing with others, trying new ideas, gaining more confidence/skill, and enjoying a positive experience. Many children learn best through games, other fun activities, and repetition. Dakota's outdoor mini soccer is organized for kids and parents with these experiences in mind.

### **Group Levels**

#### Ages 2 & 3 (preschool)

At this age coaches *and* parents focus on introducing the game of soccer and allow the player repetition and time with the ball. The format encourages basic fundamental movement skills such as running, jumping, landing, kicking, catching, and throwing in a fun setting built around informal play and positive reinforcement.

#### Ages 4 & 5 (preschool)

At this age coaches *and* parents focus more on fun soccer-related games rather than pure scrimmage to allow the player more repetition and time with the ball. The format encourages basic fundamental movement skills such as running, jumping, landing, kicking, catching, and throwing in a fun setting built around informal play and positive reinforcement.

#### Ages 5 to 8 (school age)

At this age children are provided with an opportunity to develop their movement ABCs, (agility, balance, coordination) and speed while learning the basics of the game. Emphasis remains on fun, cooperation, and maximum time with the ball. Coaches *and* parents together create a stimulating learning environment where the atmosphere is intended to be fun and team oriented. Technical instruction is introduced through movement activities and fun games that promote a feel for the ball. Scrimmages are introduced to help children develop their understanding of the game and their ability to engage in cooperative play.

### **Team Uniform and Equipment**

Players are required to have the following equipment: shin guards, shorts/sweats, runners (cleats optional). **NO** caps or jewelry are permitted on the field for safety reasons.



### Format and Price

Age	Birth Year	Number of times/weeks	Field Time	Format	Price
2 to 4	2022-23	1	50 mins	45 mins of skills and fun games. Scrimmage optional	\$90
4 & 5	2021	1	50 mins	45 mins of skills and fun games. Scrimmage optional	\$90
5 & 6	2020	2	50 mins	First 25 mins teams practice skills. Second 25 mins is a scheduled game against another team.	\$110
6 & 7	2019	2	50 mins	First 25 mins teams practice skills. Second 25 mins is a scheduled game against another team.	\$110
7 & 8	2018	2	50 mins	First 25 mins teams practice skills. Second 25 mins is a scheduled game against another team.	\$110

### Schedule

Schedules will be shared with all teams once registration is complete, teams have been formed, and coaches identified. The information below is tentative and will depend on the number of registrants, field availability, etc., and cannot be guaranteed, but is being provided to give parents an idea of what might be expected.

- Preschool aged children (5 & under) have typically been scheduled on Tuesday evenings beginning at 6:00 p.m.
- Children aged 5 –6 have typically been scheduled on Monday & Wednesday evenings beginning at 6:00 p.m.
- Children aged 6 –7 have typically been scheduled on Monday & Wednesday evenings beginning at 7:00 p.m.
- Children aged 7 & 8 have typically been scheduled on Tuesday & Thursday evenings beginning at 7:00 p.m.

**Please note registration closes April 5, 2026 to allow for scheduling, communication, etc. Late registrations WILL NOT be accepted.**

### DCC Youth Sport Refund Policy:

All refund requests are subject to a non-refundable 25% administration fee prior to team formation. No refunds after team formation.

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