



Frequently Asked Questions about the new Twins Juniors Program

-What makes the Twins Juniors Program different from other recreational soccer programs?  
 The teams in our program will be playing in smaller-side games, which means there will be fewer players on the field at a time and therefore each player will have a lot more touches on the ball. The more touches a player gets, the more times the player can experiment, be creative, gain confidence, and just become a better player.

-What age groups will we have in the TC Juniors program in the Fall of 2007?  
 U6 through U9 for fall 2007. This follows the School Year calendar, which means you determine your age group based on the age of the child on August 1<sup>st</sup> of a year. For example, if a child is 7 years old on August 1, they would be playing in the U8 age group. Here is the age chart:

Twin's Juniors Recreation Program Age Chart

- U6 - Players born between 8/1/01 – 7/31/02
- U7 - Players born between 8/1/00 – 7/31/01
- U8 - Players born between 8/1/99 – 7/31/00
- U9 - Players born between 8/1/98 – 7/31/99

-Will TCYSA be expanding the age groups in the future?  
 If the demand is there, we will certainly look into providing more age groups.

-Where will the teams practice and have games?  
 The Twins have over 18 locations throughout Winston Salem that we will select from for the regular season practices and games. For the end of season festivals, teams will be able to play at the state-of-the-art BB&T Soccer Park.

-What format of play will be used?  
 We will adhere to the recommendations from the United States Youth Soccer Association which has ages U6-U7 playing 3 vs. 3, and ages U8-U9 playing 4 vs. 4.

-How many players will be on each team?

<u>Age</u>	<u>Play Size</u>	<u>Recommended Team Size</u>
Under 6	3 vs. 3	4-5 players
Under 7	3 vs. 3	4-5 players
Under 8	4 vs. 4	6-7 players
Under 9	4 vs. 4	6-7 players

-How many days a week will they practice and/or play games?  
 U6 and U7 will practice and play games one day a week on a weekday. U8-U9 will practice one day a week and play a game on Saturday mornings.

-Who will be the coaches?

We will have parent coaches who will attend a clinic that will teach them age-appropriate curriculum for their team, provide them with a curriculum workbook, and the proper training devices. The Twins professional coaching staff will provide them with guidance.

What type of guidance will the coaches get?

-Coaches will have clinics, have the opportunity to get youth licenses or youth certifications, have the opportunities to observe TCYSA Premier Team practice sessions, and receive coaching curriculums for their age groups.

-How much does it cost?

U6 and U7 cost \$60 per player per season, plus the cost of the uniform. U8 through U9 cost \$75 per player per season, plus the cost of the uniform.

-How long does the season last?

The plan is for an 8 week season, not counting any rainouts, and not counting the end of season festival.

-Can my team come over intact from our current organization?

TCYSA recognizes that relationships are built in other organizations and that players may want to stay with a certain coach or teammate. We will work to try and accommodate some requests, but realize that some teams will be smaller from previous organizations as we are adhering to recommended team sizes from US Youth Soccer. It is also advantageous to have parity within the teams, at least from the start of each season. Our program coordinator will work very closely with coaches in forming teams.