

SYLVANIA UNITED

2025-2026

Program Overview

Sylvania United Soccer Club is a premier travel soccer program, administered by Sylvania Recreation for over 20 years. Sylvania United teams are led by passionate coaches who love the game of soccer, and work hard to develop players in a positive coaching environment, all while maintaining a family-first culture. Sylvania United understands that families participate in other activities, and we encourage participants to explore additional recreational opportunities. The program is designed to allow players to compete at a travel level, at an affordable cost, without extreme time and travel commitments.

Facilities

Throughout the fall and spring seasons, Pacesetter Park, in Sylvania, Ohio, is home to Sylvania United. Pacesetter Park is a 138 acre multi-use recreational complex, hosting youth and adult athletic programs and tournaments throughout the seasons. The park is maintained with the highest care, serving the needs of all user groups. Pacesetter Park is the host for all practice and game fields during the outdoor season.

During the late fall and winter months, Sylvania United teams have the opportunity to utilize Sylvania Recreation's King Road Facility, a multi-use indoor complex, used to maintain skill development between outdoor seasons. The Sylvania Sport & Exhibition Center, located inside of Sylvania Tam-O Shanter, may also be utilized.



Tryout Schedule 2025/2026

Tuesday, May 27th – 5:00pm – Girls 2013 (U13)

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Thursday, May 29th – 5:00pm – Girls 2014 (U12)

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Friday, May 30th – 5:00pm – Girls 2017 (U9)

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Friday, May 30th – 6:45pm – Girls 2016 (U10)

Saturday, May 31st – 9:00am – Girls 2015 (U11)

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Saturday, May 31st – 10:45am – Boys 2016 (U10)

Tryout Process

Each year, typically held in late May and early June, all returning and prospective players attend tryouts for Sylvania United. Tryout sessions are grouped based upon the birth year and gender of the participant. Families are fully expected to attend their scheduled tryout date, as it is crucial to the evaluation process.

Players will be evaluated by independent, unbiased, qualified soccer minds, in an effort to create the most impartial assessment. Evaluators will assess the ability of each player, focusing on basic soccer skills and game concepts. All evaluators will assess each player involved in the tryout process.

Sylvania United coaches will be present during tryouts, acting as instructors and leaders during each tryout. However, coaches do not perform the evaluation of participants, and are not responsible for the scoring of players.



United Coaches

Sylvania United coaches are selected based upon past coaching experience, coaching and playing experience, and their approach to coaching. All United coaches are parent volunteers, and no coaches in the program are unaffiliated, paid coaches. Each coach is a volunteer, exemplifying their passion for the game, and their dedication to the program. The leadership of each team, through all Head Coaches, Assistant Coaches, and Team Managers, promotes and models the culture of Sylvania United.

Team Selection

Immediately following the tryout process, and a coach is appointed, the process of team formation will begin.

An in-depth, thorough assessment of the evaluations will be conducted, and the creation of teams will occur.

In each division, the priority will be placed on solidifying the strongest possible team, (Sylvania United Blue), using the criteria from the tryout process.

Families will receive a phone call from the coach, or a club representative, notifying them that they have been offered a position on a United team. At the time of the phone call, families will have 24 hours to verbally accept or decline their position on the team.

Immediately following the formation of the team, additional teams, (Sylvania United White), may be formed in a division. A second team will be formed if there is a qualified coach to lead the team, and if there are enough players following the tryout to form a competitive team. In the event that a second team in a specific division is formed, the phone call and verbal position acceptance process will occur.

Position Acceptance

Following verbal acceptance of the position, families will receive an email, notifying them that they have been offered a position. The email will instruct families to access their Sports Connect account (the account used to register for the original tryout), accept their position, and submit a deposit. Please note the deposit is nonrefundable. By submitting the deposit, it is both the program and the family understanding that the player is committed to the team for the entire year.



Program Cost

The total cost for the season is \$375.00. Families may choose to pay a one-time payment, or, they may choose to utilize a payment plan. The total amount for the season includes usage of Pacesetter Park for all practices and games, league registration fees for the fall and spring season, all tournament registration costs, referee costs, usage of indoor facilities, and miscellaneous program expenses. Please note registration dues do not include uniforms, or any travel expenses such as hotel stays or venue parking fees.

Total dues for the 2025/2026 season will be \$375.

\$100 due at the time of acceptance

\$125 due July 11th, 2024

\$150 due August 1st, 2024

Uniform Information

Families will receive an email with a link to an online store, giving them access to purchase a uniform for the season. The total cost for uniforms is approximately \$150. The uniform order process will begin in mid-June.

Players will receive the following uniform items:

Home and Away Jerseys
Home and Away Shorts
Home and Away socks
Practice Jersey

League/Season Information

All Sylvania United teams participate in the Northwest Ohio Youth Soccer League (NWOYSL). The league offers various divisions within each age group, and teams are placed in divisions by the league. The spring and fall seasons are described below:

Fall

Games— 10: 5 home, 5 away

Season— Late August-Late October

Spring

Games— 8: 4 home, 4 away

Season— Early April-Late May

Tournament Information

All Sylvania United teams will participate in a total of 3 tournaments during the season. The tournaments are listed below:

Fall:

Waza Spooktackular (Monroe, MI)

Spring:

Bowling Green Spring Challenge
(Bowling Green, OH)

Westlake Invitational (Westlake, OH)

Required Documents

Each family involved in the Sylvania United program will be required to sign a Code of Conduct form. This form will outline the expectations of each player and parent, and ensure that all participants are representing the club in the community in a positive manner.

Families should also expect to have a Birth Certificate for their player readily available, along with a photo of the player. These two items will be required when the process of registering with the Ohio Soccer Association begins.



Eligibility Requirements

Sylvania United participants are not eligible to play on a team that is not comprised of their own birth year. Players may not “play up” or “play down” a birth year, and must compete on a team made up of their own birth year.

Sylvania United teams are comprised of predominantly Sylvania Recreation District residents, and is a resident-only program. There are situations where non-residents may participate in the program, if additional players are needed to increase the size of team rosters. Priority will be given to Sylvania Recreation District residents when the team formation process occurs.

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