

# SOCCER KICKS

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## WELCOME TO BLUESPRINGS



Welcome to Bluesprings! We hope everyone has a wonderful soccer experience.

To keep you better informed please visit our website [www.byasoccer.com](http://www.byasoccer.com) and our Facebook page Bluesprings Youth Soccer Association. We use both of these to keep families updated on field closures and other general information.

## CONCESSION STAND & RESTROOMS



BYSA's concession stand, and restrooms are located in the FORT. (Brown Building by U6 Fields)

The concession stand will be open every Saturday from 8:30am till ½ time of the last games in the afternoon.

We have hotdogs, coffee, cold drinks, PowerAde, candy, etc As well as Aunt Billie's homemade sausage and biscuits and baked goods.

## UNIFORMS – NEW PLAYERS ONLY

Uniforms will be available at the first game for **NEW** players only. Coaches or Team Managers will pick up the uniforms and hand them out to the players. Uniforms consist of team jersey and socks. Returning players who remain on their Fall 2023 team, will use the same uniform as the Fall season.

If your child is missing part of their uniform please fill out the *Missing Uniform* form and turn it in at the concession stand. If you need

to order a new jersey, orders need to be pre-paid, \$25 and turned in at the Concession Stand.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

**Rainout Policy** — Rain itself does not constitute cancellation of games or practices. We use the following guidelines for cancelling games and practices.

### Practice

Fields will be closed, and practice will be cancelled if it is raining or the fields are saturated from recent rains.

If we close the Soccer fields, the updates will be on our website [www.byasoccer.com](http://www.byasoccer.com), and posted on Facebook.

With the number of teams and field space availability, we may not be able to make up practices.

We try to make a decision to close the fields for practice by 3:30PM. If it has not rained but rain is predicted we may not close fields until rain has begun. Spotty showers can be just that and may not show up at Bluesprings.

### Games will be cancelled under two circumstances:

1. **BYSA decides the fields are unplayable due to recent rains.** This is a judgment call and must be followed. **NO coach or parent** has the authority to call a game because of inclement weather.



2. **Lightning.** No practices or games will be played when lightning



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is spotted. BYSA asks parents to inform the referee or coach if they see lightning. The referee and coach will be watching the practice or game and may not see lightning. In case of lightning the game will be suspended for 20 minutes. Players and parents are asked to go to their cars or the Fort. When no lightning is seen for 20 minutes the game will resume.

If games get rained out, we will make up games times permitting. Makeup games may be played on weeknights or Sunday afternoons. Make-up times depend on field availability. Games are considered played if ½ of the game is played.

## BLUESPRINGS FACILITIES RULES

### 1. PARENTS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO SIT ON THE PLAYER'S SIDE OF THE FIELD OR BEHIND THE GOALS

2. Teams, coaches and spectators are expected to act in a mature and sportsmanlike manner. Anyone demonstrating offensive behavior is subject to removal from the field by the referee or a BYSA representative. (coach, field Marshall or administrator).

3. Each team is expected to clean up after each game and practice.

4. Do not let your children play with the corner flags, climb on nets or goals. If you see others doing this, please ask them to stop.



5. Bluesprings is a drug-free, smoke-free, alcohol-free environment.

**Smoking/Vaping will not be permitted at anytime, anywhere.** This includes inside buildings, restrooms, parking lots and around the soccer facilities.



6. Pets are welcome at Bluesprings. All pets must be on a leash, and you must clean up after your animal.

7. Bluesprings is a private facility. **All soccer fields are closed except during scheduled activities, practices and games.**

8. The maximum speed limit at Bluesprings is **15 mph**. Please keep your speed down and be aware that children are about.

9. BYSA is not responsible for lost or stolen items. The Lost & Found is located in the Fort. If you write your name on your soccer ball it will have a better chance of sticking around.

10. Please do not use the private drive going to the Bird's house to drop players or equipment off. This is not a "short cut" to the fields. This is a private drive, and we appreciate your cooperation.

**THERE IS NO PARKING along the fences or at the barn. We need to keep the driveway clear for good traffic flow and emergencies.**

## BYSA CONTACTS

Have a question or concern and not sure who to contact?

*General questions:* Call us at our Bluesprings office: 770-466-7177. Our hours are from 9am to 4pm Monday through Friday.

*Referee questions or concerns:* Contact Fred Minto our Referee Chief, he is available on Saturdays at the fields.



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Coaching concerns or questions including problems with coaches or parent conduct, contact David Bird, at 770-466-7177 or email david@Unitedfa.org

If you have any questions or concerns anytime throughout the season, please contact us and we will work to answer your question or concerns.

## FIELD MARSHALL

On game day, we will have Lisa Gouge, our Field Marshall to help answer questions and problems. Lisa will be in the blue golf cart and will be easy to spot around the fields on Saturdays.

## PICTURE DAY – MARCH 23



Sportography will be at Bluesprings on March 23 to take individual and team pictures. They offer many packets to choose from.

We will be working on a schedule and will get it to your coach soon.

## GAME SCHEDULES

Games begin on Saturday, March 9th for Recreational teams.

Schedules have been emailed to coaches and are posted on the website.



## UFA Loganville

UFA Loganville is our travel soccer program for players who are looking to take their game to the next level.

Our **Future Academy** program is for players aged 6 & 7 years old. This is a new program for us and will begin in the Fall of 2024.



The **Academy** program is for players 8 to 11 years old.

The **Select program** is for players ages 12 -19 years old.



Players in the Academy and Select programs practice 2 times per week with optional skills training. Tryouts and Assessments will be at the end of May and beginning of June.

For recreational players interested in the Future Academy or Academy programs we are starting the **Rising Academy** for ages 6 through 11 beginning March 18<sup>th</sup>. The Rising will train one time per week in our XFactor training room focusing on technical skill work. Ages 6 to 9 will practice on Mondays from 5:30-6:30. Ages 10 & 11 will practice Wednesdays from 5:30-6:30. The cost for the season is \$75. For more information, please email [bryansanchez@unitedfa.org](mailto:bryansanchez@unitedfa.org).

If you are interested in more information on the UFA Loganville soccer programs please contact [bryansanchez@unitedfa.org](mailto:bryansanchez@unitedfa.org).



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**SAVE THE DATES**  
**2024-2025 TRYOUTS**

<b>U8</b>	2018 2017	<b>Varies by Location</b>
<b>U9- U14</b>	2016 2015 2014 2013 2012 2011	<b>May 20, 21, 22</b>
<b>U15- U19</b>	2010 2009 2008 2007-06	<b>May 28, 29, 30</b>

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## Summer Camps

Registration is open for summer camps at Bluesprings. Visit [BYSAsoccer.com](http://BYSAsoccer.com) and select 2024 Summer Camps from the menu. Camps begin June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Check our website for details.

### Hot Shots

Players 4-6 years old

### Challenger Camp

Players ages 7 & up

### Elite Premier - Players 8 & up

Designed for Academy & Select Level Players

### Striker/Keeper Camp - Players 8 & up

Elite Level Players

## Reminder

**No Games March 30 & April 6<sup>th</sup>**



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