



2026-2027 Season

Girls Academy (GA)

Beadling Soccer Club, established in 1898, is one of the oldest and most respected youth soccer clubs in the United States. The club offers a comprehensive program for girls participating in the Girls Academy (GA) and Girls Aspire, focusing on holistic player development. Below is an outline of what players can expect when joining our program.

## 1. Costs

Specific cost details for participating in the Girls Academy league are \$3900 for ages 13-19 years of age.

## 2. Training/Team

- **Frequency and Structure:** Players can anticipate three regular training sessions per week, designed to enhance communication, game insight, the execution of decisions, and the ability to maintain these soccer actions over the course of a game and an entire season.
  - Training sessions will be periodized over the course of the season due to matches and tournaments. Breaks or fewer than three training sessions a week may be implemented to allow the players to recover and reduce the incidence of injury.
- **Specialized Training:** The club also offers Goalkeeper Training for the GA goalkeepers.
- **Team Administration:** All teams will need a team manager who communicates with club administration, league officials, tournament arrangements, rostering duties, and other responsibilities needed to run the teams efficiently.

- A manager's manual will be provided to assist the individual who accepts the duties of the team manager. A \$200 player discount will be awarded to the individual who takes on the role of team manager.
- **Staff for each age group within the GA league**
  - **U13-** Mike Blatz and Travis McKenzie
  - **U14-** Jodi Chmielewski and Tyler Rupert
  - **U15-** Gabe Kleinert and Rob Hueler
  - **U16-** Rob Hueler and Gabe Kleinert
  - **U17-** Matt Fonagy and Zach Hamilton
  - **U19-** Zach Hamilton and Matt Fonagy
- **Age group with birth years**
  - **U13- 8/1/2013-7/31/204**
  - **U14- 8/1/2012-7/31/2013**
  - **U15- 8/1/2011-7/31/2012**
  - **U16- 8/1/2010-7/31/2011**
  - **U17- 8/1/2009-7/31/2010**
  - **U19- 8/1/2007-7/31/2009**

### 3. Events and Competitions

- **League Participation:** Beadling SC is a Girls Academy Mid-America Conference member, competing against other clubs in this conference. The league schedules are determined by the league and sent out for the club administration to schedule through GotSports and PlayMetrics.
- **Tournaments:** Teams have the opportunity to participate in various regional and national tournaments, providing exposure to diverse playing styles and elevated competition levels.
  - THE GA NATIONAL EVENTS, PLAYOFFS AND SUMMER SHOWCASE  
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    - National Event Attendance Expectation
    - 1. U13 -1 Regional Event, Summer Playoffs, but No Summer Showcase
    - 2. U14 -1 Regional Event, Summer Playoffs, but No Summer Showcase
    - 3. U15 - 1 National Event, plus Summer Playoffs or Summer Showcase
    - 4. U16 - 1 National Event, plus Summer Playoffs or Summer Showcase
    - 5. U17 - 1 National Event, plus Summer Playoffs or Summer Showcase
    - 6. U19 - 1 National Event, Summer Playoffs, but No Summer Showcase
- Over the last two seasons, the Beadling soccer club has been participating in the prestigious Girls Academy side, called the Champions Cup. This form of competition is in

a similar format to the UEFA Champions League in professional soccer. You can read more about the Champions Cup [here](#).

#### 4. Schedules

- **Seasonal Structure:** The soccer season typically includes pre-season training, regular-season matches, and season tournaments or showcases.
- **Training Schedules:** Training sessions are scheduled multiple times per week, with exact times and locations communicated by team coaches.
  - The training schedule is as follows for the respective age group.
- Training locations for training sessions.
- 1. U13 - A two-one format is applied based on the geographical location of player pools.
- 2. U14 - A two-one format is applied based on the geographical location of player pools.
- 3. U15 - team trains in the South hub location\*
- 4. U16 - team trains in the South hub location\*
- 5. U17 - team trains in the South hub location\*
- 6. U19 - team trains in the South hub location\*

\*- Teams may train at other subsite locations based on field availability and need for space.

#### 5. Additional Opportunities

- **UPMC Sports Performance:** Throughout the season, the Beadling Soccer Club offers specialized training to improve the female player's physical abilities. These sessions are offered during the fall, winter and spring seasons.
- **College Recruitment Support:** The club provides resources and guidance for players aspiring to play at the collegiate level, including showcasing opportunities and assistance with the recruitment process.
- **Team Building Activities:** The Beadling Soccer Club, offers a big sister, little sister program that provides opportunities for female players to connect with older and younger players to advance their leadership abilities, developing interpersonal skills.
- **Mental Performance:** The Beadling Soccer Club, offers mental performance training within a team or individual setting to assist players in developing the abilities to continue to overcome adversity, continue to think “next action”, and grow with the ever changing landscape of the soccer community.

#### 6. Facilities

Beadling SC utilizes several top-class facilities in the Pittsburgh area, including the Southpointe fieldhouse (hub site), Breisingers Field, Highland Sports Complex, Ringgold High School, North Park (Wildwood facility), JC Stone Turf (North Park, and various other facilities around the Pittsburgh area.

- The GA will be housed out of the South hub site for scheduling of games and training. Training sessions throughout the season may be conducted in other subsite locations based on availability and accommodations for all teams in the GA..

## **7. Contact Information**

For more detailed information or specific inquiries:

- **General Contact:** Beadling Soccer Club, PO Box 435, Bridgeville, Pennsylvania 15017.
- **Girls Academy Director:** Brian Shrum, E-mail: [shrum@beadling.com](mailto:shrum@beadling.com), Cell: 724-570-9114.

Prospective players and families are encouraged to reach out directly to the club for the most current information regarding tryouts, schedules, and financial considerations.