



Jackson Futbol Club

Dear JFC Families,

Thank you for being a part of the JFC community. We are grateful for the continued support of our players and families, and we're excited to be gearing up for another great fall season of soccer very soon! It will be here before we know it.

We want to share an important update regarding **age group classifications starting which will begin August with the next season**. Beginning next year, JFC will align age groups with the **U.S. Soccer–recommended age matrix**, which is based on **August 1 through July 31 birthdates**, rather than the birth year as it is currently.

What's changing?

- Age groups each season will now be determined by a **year that runs from August 1 to July 31**.
- This approach is widely used by other youth sports organizations and helps ensure consistent age grouping across leagues and competitions.
- JFC recreational age groups will continue to range from **U4 through U19**.

Examples of the new age groups:

- **U4:** Birthdates from **August 1, 2022 – July 31, 2023**
- **U5:** Birthdates from **August 1, 2021 – July 31, 2022**
- **U6:** Birthdates from **August 1, 2020 – July 31, 2021**
- **U7:** Birthdates from **August 1, 2019 – July 31, 2020**
- **U8:** Birthdates from **August 1, 2018 – July 31, 2019**
- **U9:** Birthdates from **August 1, 2017 – July 31, 2018**
- **U10:** Birthdates from **August 1, 2016 – July 31, 2017**
- And so on, following the same August-to-July structure for all age groups up through **U19**

Families will receive clear guidance during registration so it's easy to identify the correct age group for your child when registering.

We truly appreciate your commitment to JFC and your flexibility as we make this transition. Our goal is to continue providing a positive, development-focused soccer experience for every player, and we're looking forward to seeing everyone back on the fields this fall.

Thank you again for being part of JFC—we can't wait for another fun and successful season!

**Warm regards,
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Following extensive review and discussion, US Youth Soccer, AYSO, and US Club Soccer have collectively decided to move to an age group player formation cycle that runs from August 1 to July 31, starting with the 2026-27 season/registration year. This change was made based on additional critical feedback, data, and expert input to better align players with their school-grade peers.

Age groups for the seasonal year that begins August 1, 2026 – July 31, 2027			
U4	Players born 8/1/22 – 7/31/23	U12	Players born 8/1/14 – 7/31/15
U5	Players born 8/1/21 – 7/31/22	U13	Players born 8/1/13 – 7/31/14
U6	Players born 8/1/20 – 7/31/21	U14	Players born 8/1/12 – 7/31/13
U7	Players born 8/1/19 – 7/31/20	U15	Players born 8/1/11 – 7/31/12
U8	Players born 8/1/18 – 7/31/19	U16	Players born 8/1/10 – 7/31/11
U9	Players born 8/1/17 – 7/31/18	U17	Players born 8/1/09 – 7/31/10
U10	Players born 8/1/16 – 7/31/17	U18	Players born 8/1/08 – 7/31/09
U11	Players born 8/1/15 – 7/31/16	U19	Players born 8/1/07 – 7/31/08

