

# NPUnited Academy Soccer 9U – 10U



We play similar aged teams from clubs in Indiana participating in the Indiana Soccer League (ISL). The amount of travel is dependent on the division the team registers in and at this age group we will try to register in a division that limits travel to the greater Indianapolis area, with an occasional trip within a 1 hour radius of New Pal.

<u>Practice</u>: 2 nights per week – One night with the club's technical trainer and the other with your team's coach

<u>Games</u>: 8-10 regular season games (generally played as double headers), plus a weekend tournament, and a couple "friendly" practice games scheduled by the coach.

<u>Coaches</u>: NPUnited is striving to have all travel coaches certified with the State "E" license or higher to provide the highest level of training to your child and all must pass a thorough background check for your child's safety. Please let us know if you are interested in coaching or being an assistant.

<u>Cost</u>: Fees cover team and player registrations with ISL, referee fees, tournament registrations, technical training and winter sessions.

- Several billing options are available
- Full year commitment (Fall and Spring): \$560 & includes winter sessions
- Fall or Spring only commitment: \$280 & includes winter sessions
- Uniforms: Uniforms are not included in the price of registration and are purchased separately through Admiral. Please see attached information regarding uniform ordering instructions.
  - Mandatory Uniform Kit: \$50 (includes 2 jerseys, matching shorts and socks)
  - o Our uniform provider also has NPUnited-brand fan gear available for purchase.

Additional information about the program can be found on the next few pages.

Fall practices start in late July and Spring practices start in March. Winter training sessions get started in January at 84 Turf Sports (US 40/200W – Greenfield).

If you have any other questions or concerns, please contact:

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# **NPUnited Uniform Ordering Instructions**



You must place your orders by the deadline. Late orders are charged extra fees by Admiral.

Open your web browser. Copy and paste this link into your web browser: <a href="http://admiral.axissoccer.com/microsite?id=NPUnited">http://admiral.axissoccer.com/microsite?id=NPUnited</a>

This will take you to the NPUnited WebStore. There are several tabs in the WebsStore:



There is one tab from which you need to choose your uniforms:

Mandatory Player Kit

You will see the two choices for required uniform kits:

- Mandatory Player Kit MENS
- Mandatory Player Kit WOMENS

You will choose your team name from the drop-down menu (i.e., NPUnited Boys or NPUnited Girls), and then you will choose the player name. The Club has already provided your child's uniform number and it will automatically appear after selecting the player name.

Select the sizes you need for the items within the kit. An online "fitting room" is available to help provide a size recommendation based upon measurements you input.

You may also order optional gear by looking through the other tabs. Though not required by the Club, they are nice to show team spirit on and off the field, and for parents and family members when cheering on the sideline!! It looks very impressive when the team shows up for a game and the sideline is all wearing branded gear!!

When you are ready, choose "checkout". You can register for an account (for ease of future ordering) or you can continue as a guest.

Enter your name, address, email and other requested information to complete your order. You have the option to pay by Pay Pal or credit card, and the order ships to your home address via UPS.

\*\*Please note you only have 7 days after receiving your order from Admiral to contact them with any problems with your order.



# NPUnited Academy Soccer FAQs 9U – 10U



#### What is Academy Soccer?

o An introduction to competitive travel soccer

#### What are NP United's Overall Objectives?

- o Focus on development of the players
- o Instill lasting technical skills and introduce tactics
- Utilize small sided play to expand creativity, ball mastery & field awareness;
  challenging players to play more "creatively" & "instinctively", with & without the ball

#### Is my child ready for academy/travel soccer?

- o Players will be receiving advanced technical training and need to be physically able to perform tasks and have the ability to comprehend given instructions.
- Our goal is to develop player's skills in a positive and fun environment, disruptive and disrespectful behavior toward anyone at the soccer fields will not be tolerated.
- NPUnited often hears from parents that there only regret about joining the Academy program is not having joined sooner.

#### What if my child can only play in the Fall or Spring?

- The league has taken this into consideration and while you are registered with NPUnited for a full year (per ISL Rukes), you only pay for the season in which your child plays.
- o Winter training sessions are included with any commitment to play
- See fee schedule for details

#### What do we expect from the players?

- o Participate with a positive attitude.
- o Respect the coaches by listening when they are talking, and by working hard.
- Respect their teammates and opponents, displaying good sportsmanship at all times.

#### What can you expect from the coaches?

- o Patient communicate in a way so that all players understand what is expected
- Positive instruct and encourage players to do their personal best
- o Knowledgeable obtain a minimum E license and promote the clubs development goals
- o Have an open door policy for the parents create a positive experience for everyone

#### What do we expect from the parents?

- o Cheer for your child & their teammates
- Support your child by encouraging them to listen to their coaches

o Do not interrupt practice or games, coach from the sideline or talk negatively about the referee, other players, parents or coaches, etc.

### What is winter training?

• The league rents a local facility for indoor practice over the winter months to keep the players active. Attendance is not mandatory, but is recommended

## What league do we play in?

ISL http://www.soccerindiana.org/

#### How much travel is involved?

• The schedule is set by league officials, but they try to keep travel under 1 hour. With the large number of teams in the greater Indianapolis area, travel is usually minimal.

## Is there out of state travel in Academy?

o No

What other costs are involved beside the registration fee?

- o Standard personal equipment: cleats, shin guards, ball, water
- o Team items: Home and away jersey kits (all players must match)
- See fee schedule for details