

## FAYSA Tryout Policy

### 1. Tryouts

During the season 2016/2017, the Fort Atkinson Youth Soccer Association (FAYSA) introduced tryouts at the end of each spring session for the upcoming fall and spring season. At the same time, FAYSA transferred from the Stateline League and became a member of the Madison Youth Soccer Association (MAYSA). MAYSA offers recreational soccer as well as competitive level soccer. The level of competition is based on 4 different competitive tier levels; tier one is the highest competitive level and tier four is the lowest with an emphasis on participation (recreational level). FAYSA felt that with a greater pool of players in MAYSA we had a better opportunity to have competitive play at ALL levels.

FAYSA wants to be a soccer club that provides a platform for every child in Jefferson County that wants to play soccer and in addition offer higher competition for those players who are ready physically and emotionally prepared for the challenge. Tryouts start with the U11 age group. FAYSA's tryout process is designed to help identify the best fit for each player within FAYSA. Our focus is to aid kids in developing as a player and as a person, while having fun. At the same time the tryout process is intended to convey that FAYSA has expectations for each player. FAYSA firmly believes that mentality, attitude and commitment to a team sport like soccer is important; more important than talent. Our tryout process is designed to group youth players into teams where they can reach their full potential. This selection provides the opportunity for each player to train and play with players that have a similar level of commitment and talent in one's age group, and to compete in tiers that are challenging, but not overwhelming.

### 2. Assessment

Players will be assessed on the following aspects of the game:

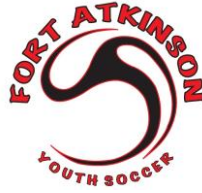
- **Technical Ability** – Player's skill level / comfort level with the ball / ability to receive / pass / dribble / shoot / head and juggle the ball
- **Tactical Ability and Awareness** - Understanding and ability to problem-solve tactical situations on and off the ball
- **Mentality** – Player's ability to work hard and help their teammate
- **Physical Ability** – Player's speed and strength on and off the ball, agility and quickness

The tryout process also gives each player/parent the opportunity to meet possible teammates and to speak with potential coaches or club representatives in order to find out if the club is a good match for the player. FAYSA reserves the right to make the final decision on team placement.

### 3. Tryout Dates

Each player who wants to be considered for a FAYSA team in the upcoming season must participate in the FAYSA tryouts. The following days are reserved for tryouts:

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| 1. U11 – U12 girls (birth year 2008 – 2007)  | Monday 5/21/18, Rain Date 5/23/18  |
| 2. U13 – U15 girls (birth year 2006 – *2004) | Monday 5/21/18, Rain Date 5/23/18  |
| 3. U11 – U12 boys (birth year 2008 – 2007)   | Tuesday 5/22/18, Rain Date 5/30/18 |
| 4. U13 – U15 boys (birth year 2006 – *2004)  | Tuesday 5/22/18, Rain Date 5/30/18 |
- \*2004 birth year – incoming 8<sup>th</sup> graders only**



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5. U15 – U18 girls (birth year \*2004)

Thursday 6/8/18, Rain date 6/11/18

***\*2004 birth year – incoming high school freshmen***

All tryouts will be held at the FAYSA fields (198 Rockwell Ave Fort Atkinson, WI 53538). After the tryout, each eligible player will receive an offer by email from a club representative. The offer will include date and time of offer, name of club representative making the offer, and the team for which the offer is being made.

### **4. What should I do if I have a scheduling conflict that prevents me from attending one or more of the tryouts?**

U11- U19 Boys and Girls players unable to attend one or any tryout dates due to scheduling conflicts should contact the club to make alternative arrangements to tryout.

It is FAYSA's discretion to make an early offer to a player in its club in the current year (2017-2018) for a place on a specific team in the 2018-2019 program year without a tryout. The offer for a specific team obligates the club to register the player on the team listed in the offer, if the offer is accepted. Players may respond immediately to offers, but are not required to respond immediately. The expiration of an early offer cannot be before 12:00 noon on the "First Date of Offers" for its respective age group. By accepting an early offer, you understand that you are committing to a position on "Team" and obligated to "Name of Soccer Club" for the 2018-2019 seasonal year".

### **5. Tryout Registration**

In order to increase participation, FAYSA does not charge a fee for a tryout. However, each player needs to register for a tryout beforehand. It is possible to register for a tryout 30 minutes before starting time of the tryout. However, a parent/guardian needs to be present in order to sign waivers.

### **6. Offer**

Each player that is eligible to play on a team will receive an offer via email with an expiration date.

<b>Age Group &amp; Gender</b>	<b>First Date of Offers</b>
U11 – U13 Boys and Girls	June 15, 2018 at 12 noon
U14 – U19 Boys and Girls	June 22, 2018 at 12 noon

### **7. Response from Players**

Please reply and let us know via email if you accept or decline this offer.

Furthermore, the acceptance of the offer is contingent upon a successful registration on the FAYSA website by **June 25, 2018, 6:00 PM** in League One, in order to secure a position on this team.

Once the expiration date to accept the offer has passed, the offer may or may not still be valid. If we have not heard back from you or are unable to contact you via email or phone, FAYSA has the right to withdraw the offer and give it to another player. It is the player's/parent's responsibility to accept this offer in a timely manner.