

U-8 Bridge Program Frequently Asked Questions

1. Do you have a website to learn more about the program?

Yes, please go to http://www.sycva.com/house-soccer/bridgeprogram/index_E.html to learn more about the program, program policy guide, program schedule, and related news.

2. Is there a Program Policy that I can read?

Yes, please go to the following URL to review our program policy guide
<http://www.sycva.com/docs/SYC%20Bridge%20Developmental%20Program%20Policy%20Spring%202009.pdf>

3. Do we need to register for the Bridge Program?

Yes, registration is required and all participants must be currently registered in the U-8 House Soccer Program to be eligible to participate in the Bridge program. [Click here](#) to register!!

4. Is there any cost associated with the program?

Yes, there is an additional fee of \$35 per player that will be required to help offset the cost of the program.

5. When will the Bridge Program training begin?

Once a week, special training sessions (directed by Scott Simpson) will be held typically starting the first Monday after the House Soccer regular season games begin. These program practices will be scheduled at Hooes Road Park as follows:

U8 Girls: Mondays from 5:00 PM to 5:45 PM, Field # 4
U8 Boys: Mondays from 5:45 PM to 6:30 PM, Field # 4

Because this field is not lighted, as the season proceeds, the training time may need to be modified to accommodate for the decrease in sunlight.

Attendance is **highly recommended**, but not mandatory.

6. Will we play in additional games, besides just training on Monday nights?

Yes, in order to keep the kids playing with their friends, the Bridge Program **WILL NOT** interfere with the House Soccer game schedule (Saturdays). But rather, the Challenge League games will be played on Sundays (typically starting at noon) against other clubs in the area or scrimmages with other SYC Bridge Program teams. The game schedule will be posted on the Bridge Program website located at http://www.sycva.com/house-soccer/bridgeprogram/index_E.html

7. What is the playing structure?

Single sex teams playing 5v5 with Goalkeeper, size 3 ball, 50 x 35 yard field, four 12-minute quarters.

8. Will there be referees?

All Challenge League games will be refereed by licensed referees (typically Grade 9 or Grade 8). We will use the Challenge League games as a way to give experience to the newer youth referees and expose the players to non-parent refereeing.

9. Where will games be?

Home games will be held at West Springfield Elementary, however, do not discard the possibility of having to play an away game at other local clubs as the season progresses.

10. Who will coach?

Bridge team coaches will be selected by the Bridge Program Coordinator from among the U-8 House Soccer Program coaches. They would be parent volunteers, just like existing SYC House coaches.

11. Can anyone participate?

Yes, the Bridge Program is open to all children; however must be currently registered in the U-8 House Soccer Program to be eligible to participate in the Bridge program. There are no tryouts.

Thank you for your continued participation and support in the SYC programs. We have a great group of players and families, and it is our intention to keep you together, happy, and within our Club, while providing additional opportunities for developing our players' skills.

Don't wait, click here to [Register!!](#)