

A banner image showing a well-maintained green lawn with several trees and a building in the background. The text "HOME AND SCHOOL ORGANIZATION" is overlaid in white capital letters.

## HOME AND SCHOOL ORGANIZATION

Coming August 2025, Spring Valley Academy's Home & School Program is excited to, once again, offer the Colts Elementary Soccer League to grades 1-6!

The program will begin August 17th (first Sunday after school starts) and run for six (6) weeks on Sundays (minus 8/31st which is Labor Day weekend & 9/21st Fall Fest). Game dates are August 17<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>, September 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, & 28<sup>th</sup>, and October 5<sup>th</sup>. October 12<sup>th</sup> will be a makeup day if needed.

Each Sunday there will be games at 10am, 11am, or 12pm based on your child's team schedule. They will meet at the designated time and have 30 minutes of practice prior to their game. For example, if your game is at 10am, you will have practice until 10:30am, and then your game will start and go till 11am.

The first goal of this soccer league is to support the mission of SVA to "Know, Follow, and Share Jesus." Thus, each game will begin with a short 5-minute devotional. Our next goal is to have a fun introduction to soccer! We aim to promote team building, sportsmanship, and comradery amongst our entire SVA student and parent population. These are the important life lessons that playing a sport teaches beyond the field. In an effort to emphasize this, we will promote positive interactions of encouragement and sportsmanship amongst all players and refrain from scorekeeping during the games. We will be continuing with the small field scrimmage style as we did last Fall. This style of play specifically benefits players in developing passing and ball handling skills while maximizing playing time for every player.

We will continue to use the same Colts jerseys. So, if your child's jersey from last year still fits them, you can select the option for the lower cost on the Google registration form - \$45. If you need a jersey (+\$15), then registration + jersey is \$60. \*We can assist with a possible exchange with another family of sizes, but no guarantees.

Additional supplies which parents will need to provide for their children are shin guards, soccer socks, and a soccer ball. Soccer cleats are advised, but tennis shoes are also accepted.

\*Feel free to donate good condition soccer cleats and/or jerseys at the front office of SVA.

We will continue the \$5 sibling discount we started last year. For example, 1st child (no jersey needed) \$45, second child (no jersey needed) \$40, third child (no jersey) \$35...

Finally, this soccer program is completely volunteer run. In order to make this a successful program and incorporate as many children as possible, we need the help of volunteers in the form of coaches and referees. We will gladly accept any volunteer time you are able to give whether it is for the entire season or on a part-time/rotating basis.

If you are willing to volunteer in one of these areas, please contact us at [hssvasoccerleague@gmail.com](mailto:hssvasoccerleague@gmail.com).

Your Home & School Soccer team,

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