

Michigan State Youth Soccer Association Press Release

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MSYSA Announces Youth Camps, Courses & Certifications

Plymouth, Michigan (March 29, 2013) – The Michigan State Youth Soccer Association is pleased to announce the development of new youth programs specifically geared towards recreational players and coaches in the State of Michigan. Novice, or beginner, coaches are now able to consider registering for MSYSA's new Novice Recreation Certificate Course. The course will include information on how to conduct practice sessions and how to properly manage a team. In addition to the expansion of Recreational Coaching Education, MSYSA has launched Youth Training Camps designed to better develop and train for youth players, including recreational players.

The MSYSA Novice Recreational Coaching Certificate is a 3 hour course that introduces the sport of soccer to the novice or the beginner recreation coach. The curriculum will entail information regarding safety issues/concerns, how to manage parents, and introduce simple game-like activities to get prepared for a season. The focus is on coaches whom are tasked with coaching soccer for the first time in the Under-6 through the Under-8 age groups. The cost to register for the MSYSA Novice Recreation Certificate Course is \$30. Registration includes a coaching curriculum booklet and free pocket size coaching cards that has drills, skills, and activities.

The MSYSA Novice Recreation Certificate Course Schedule is as follows:

Grand Rapids | Woodland Sports | Thursday, May 2, 2013 6:00-8:30pm | [Register Here](#)
Kalamazoo | Kalamazoo Soccer Complex | Thursday, May 9, 2013 5:30-8:00pm | [Register Here](#)
Royal Oak | Quikstad Park | Wednesday, May 22, 2013 6:00-8:30pm | [Register Here](#)
Dearborn Heights | Dearborn Heights Football Field | Thursday, May 23, 2013 6:00-8:30pm | [Register Here](#)

The MSYSA Youth Training Camps (Goalkeeper & Field Player Camps) is designed to provide additional training to those youth players, including recreational players, seeking new challenges and help identify youth players in Michigan. A youth player attending an MSYSA Youth Camp will receive fundamental training on skills and their applications in game situations, along with increasing tactical awareness. Birth years for the Goalkeeper camp are 2002 through 1998 (Under-11 to Under-15) and Field Player Camp birth years are 2003 through 1999 (Under-10 to Under-14). Young players will enjoy this highly energized program in which the players learn from the drills and from the game. The cost to participate for an MSYSA Youth Camp is \$135. Registration includes a t-shirt for each participant and 6 hours of training!

The MSYSA Youth Training Camp Schedule is as follows:

Canton | Independence Park | July 22-24, 2013 9:00-11:00am | [Register Here](#)
Traverse City | TC West High School | July 29, 2013 (4:00-6:00pm), July 30, 2013 (9:00-11:00am & 1:30-3:30pm) | [Register Here](#)
Grand Rapids | Brewer Park | July 31, 2013 (10:00am-12:00pm & 2:30-4:30pm), August 1, 2013 10:00am-12:00pm | [Register Here](#)

The overall goal for the expansion of the youth programs is for the youth players and novice coaches to learn, build confidence in their abilities and to have fun playing soccer. The benefits of participating in either the Novice Recreational Course or the Youth Training Camps is to receive development by training with age appropriate players, receive instruction from USSF License Coaches and receive additional training from MSYSA Coaching Staff, including MSYSA's ODP Goalkeeper Director, Dan Diac and the MSYSA ODP101 Director, James Renton.

About Michigan State Youth Soccer Association

The Michigan State Youth Soccer Association, Inc. (MSYSA) is a nonprofit organization that represents over 89,000 youth soccer players, 12,000+ coaches, and 6,000+ referees throughout Michigan. MSYSA consists of a vast number of leagues that register players (boys and girls) from ages 4 through 19 throughout the state. MSYSA is a member of the United States Youth Soccer Association and the United States Soccer Federation. For more information on MSYSA, visit www.michiganyouthsoccer.org.

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