



Jr. Irish Soccer Club
&
Northern Indiana Futbol Academy



FALL 2010 AND SPRING 2011 TRYOUTS

Hosted at the Jr. Irish Airport Soccer Park

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Junior Tryouts

Senior Tryouts

U7-U14: JUNE 16 & 17, 2010

U15-U18: JUNE 16 & 17, 2010

Check in: 5:00 p.m. • Tryouts: 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Check in: 6:30 p.m. • Tryouts: 7:30 – 9:00 p.m.

Players unable to attend one or both days of try-outs should contact the Director of Coaching to make alternate arrangements (greg.gidman@yahoo.com).

Fall 2010 and Spring 2011 Program Matrix

	U7 Academy	U8/U9 Travel Academy	U10 Travel Academy	U11-U14	U15-U19
Age Group (players birth date)	Aug 2003 - July 2004	Aug 2001 - July 2003	Aug 2000 - July 2001	Aug 1996 - July 2000	Aug 1991 - July 1996
Fall Deposit (due at tryouts) *	\$ 175.00	\$ 175.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
Fall Balance Due (Sept 1 st 2009)	-	\$ 50.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 185.00	-
Spring Deposit (Nov 1 st 2009)	\$ 175.00	\$ 175.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
Spring Balance Due (Feb 1 st 2009)	-	\$ 50.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 235.00	\$ 150.00
Professional Trainers	included	included	included	included	included
Fall training (Aug – Oct)	1/week	2/week	2/week	2-3/week	-
Winter Training (Nov – Mar)	2/week	2/week	1-2/week	1-2/week	1-2/week
Spring training (Apr – Jun)	1/week	3/week	3/week	3/week	3/week
Fees includes Uniform	t-shirt	purchase	purchase	purchase	purchase
State Registration	included	included	included	included	included
Supplementary Insurance	included	included	included	included	included
Travel League and Referee Fees	-	included	included	included	included
Scrimmage: \$100/season	included	-	included	included	included
Additional Fall Tournament	-	-	-	included	included
Jr. Irish Memorial Day Invitational Soccer Tournament	-	included	included	included	included
Indiana State, President's, or Challenge Cups	-	-	-	included	included
Additional Spring Tournament	-	-	included	included	included

* The tryout deposit is fully refundable to players not offered positions or declining a club offer within 48 hours.

WHY CHOOSE JR. IRISH?

Since 1977, the Jr. Irish Soccer Club has consistently provided the best soccer experience for area youths. Our coaching staff is recognized as the best in the area and is affiliated with the University of Notre Dame, St. Mary's College, Bethel College, most area high schools, and Indiana Youth Soccer's Olympic Development Program. Our teams and players have won numerous state championships, played on many of the state Olympic Development teams and have or are playing at many universities and colleges. Unlike other area clubs with parent coaches or trainers assigned to multiple teams, Jr. Irish Soccer Club assigns a professional coach to every team insuring players receive the attention they deserve. Our soccer playing complex is second to none. Jr. Irish hosts one of the biggest and widely respected tournaments in the Midwest.

In season, our U10-U18 teams offer 2-3 training sessions per week. November through March each team is allocated 1-2 training times per week in our environmentally conditioned sports-turf indoor training facility.

Whether playing at the NISL or the MRL, your child will be provided the opportunity to improve his/her individual and team skills. Our mission is to provide the best playing and learning environment for all of our players. Jr. Irish Soccer is committed to provide the competitive league environment that will challenge all players' abilities at any level.

TEAMS & LEAGUES

Tryouts will determine how many teams will be formed and which league each team will play in during the fall 2010 and spring 2010 seasons. The leagues consist of the Northern Indiana Soccer League (NISL), the Indiana State League (ISL), Greater Indiana Regional League of Soccer (GIRLS for girl's teams only), and the Midwest Regional League (MRL).

Each team that is formed will be selected to play in the league based on its ability and performance history. The club's intent is to place each team in the league that will provide the appropriate level of competition for that team's ability and maximize each player's growth.

League recommendations are based on input from the team's parents, coach, and coaching directors. The club recommends that all U10-U11 teams participate in the Northern Indiana Soccer League (NISL). This league minimizes travel while placing players in a competitive environment.

The travel levels and league descriptions are included below. The number of players that tryout along with the team's overall ability level will determine the final league placement and the number of teams that will be formed at each age group.

LOCAL TRAVEL

Northern Indiana Soccer League (NISL):

This league is open to boys and girls of all age groups and consists of teams from Northern Indiana. Most games are played in the South Bend, Elkhart, Portage, Warsaw, and Fort Wayne areas. League games are scheduled for seven weeks and games are played on Saturday or Sunday. A league tournament is conducted at the end of each season. Each team determines the number and location of tournaments they will participate in. Each team practices two times per week.

STATE TRAVEL

Indiana State League (ISL):

This league is open to boys and girls teams beginning with the U13 age groups and plays against the best of the state level teams. Travel is required in Indiana, but is normally restricted to the Central and Northern half of the state. The league games are played on three to four weekends and either on Saturday or Saturday and

Sunday. This league is recommended for teams that desire a higher level of competition than is provided in the Northern Indiana Soccer League. Each team determines the number and location of tournaments it will participate in. Each team will practice two or three times per week as agreed upon by the team and coach. This league is not available in all age groups.

Greater Indiana Regional League of Soccer (GIRLS):

This league is for girl's teams only beginning with the U11 age groups and is comprised of many of the best teams in the state of Indiana. Each team that participates in this league plays in a division with teams of comparable ability. This league is recommended for teams that desire a higher level of competition than is provided in the Northern Indiana Soccer League. Division placement is determined by a team's past performance. The season will consist of about 10 games played on Saturdays or Saturdays/Sundays. Travel for league games is usually limited to the central and northern portions of Indiana. Each team determines the number and location of tournaments it will attend. Teams in this league generally practice two or three nights per week.

REGIONAL TRAVEL

Midwest Regional League (MRL):

This league is open to U14 boys and girls teams. A Team must apply for and be selected to play in this league based on its performance in previous seasons. This league is recommended for teams that desire a higher level of competition than can be found at the state level. A limited number of teams from each state (2-4) are selected. Teams will play against the best teams from neighboring states (IL, IN, KY, MI, MN, OH, PA, WI). Games will be played at central sites to help minimize travel, but you can be expected to travel to sites in any of these states. (The Jr. Irish Soccer Complex has been used as a game site as well.) This league provides the highest level of competition that teams in our area will face.

FAMILY COMMITMENT:

Players are expected to be at all training sessions, games, and tournaments. Parents are asked to do volunteer tasks periodically that may involve field maintenance, help with uniforms, be a team representative, serve on board committees, etc. IT IS REQUIRED THAT A PARENT OF EACH PLAYING CLUB MEMBER VOLUNTEER AT LEAST ONE SHIFT AT THE MEMORIAL DAY TOURNAMENT SPONSORED BY THE JR. IRISH CLUB. THE SUCCESS OF THIS TOURNAMENT DEPENDS ON THE COMMITMENT OF ALL CLUB MEMBERS.

UNIFORM FEES:

Beginning in Fall 2009, the Jr. Irish and NIFA teams will have a mandatory uniform kit they are required to purchase. These items will remain the property of each player and should last the player 2-3 years. Please visit our website for Adidas uniform details (Parents-> Order Team Club Gear):

U8-U19 Green/White/Black Team Kit	\$82.50 - \$91.95 (pricing subject to size)
GOALKEEPER Jersey	\$35.00

CLUB CONTACTS:

For More information please contact:

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Jeff Buhr, Vice President, Jr. Irish at buhrij@1stsource.com

Junior Irish Academy Program Boys and Girls Ages 8 thru 10

For Players born between 8-1-2000 & 7-31-2003 :

All U8-U10 players in the state of Indiana will be participating in a new developmental academy. Players will not be placed on teams and do not play a traditional competitive league schedule. Instead players are maintained in training groups, play round-robin academy games (organized by NISL [Northern Indiana Soccer League]), and participate in Jr. Irish Memorial Day Tournament. Please refer to the Indiana Youth Soccer Association website for more information: (www.indianayouthsoccer.org/u9academy.html)

No players will be cut from the academy, instead all players committed with the goal of development as a travel soccer player will be accepted. The Jr. Irish Soccer Academy is designed as a training ground to bridge the recreational to travel soccer gap for players, parents, and community.

Fees cover all known expenses including coach's pay, league registrations, player registrations with IYSA and the US Youth Soccer Association, 2-3 training sessions per week, field and equipment maintenance, skills clinics, the Memorial Day Invitational tournament, practice t-shirts, academy uniforms, and referee fees for home games. Any team may attend additional tournaments but will be responsible for all entry fees and coaching related expenses.

The Jr. Irish U8-U10 Academy will participate in NISL or WMYSA:

The Academy format organized by NISL [Northern Indiana Soccer League] is open to boys and girls of all age groups and consists of teams from Northern Indiana. Most Academy play dates will be hosted in the South Bend, Elkhart, Portage, Warsaw, and Fort Wayne areas. League Academy play dates are scheduled on four Saturday's (no Sunday's) throughout the season. Two or more Club Academies may be assigned to a venue depending on the number of players in each club's Academy. Each team trains two times per week in the fall and three times per week in the spring.

U7 Academy Soccer Program

The Junior Irish Soccer Club will continue to develop young soccer players by introducing them to technical skill development in a fun environment. Youth that join the U7 Academy Program will receive top quality instruction at the elite Junior Irish Airport Soccer Complex.

The U7 Academy is a year around program with one or two sessions per week. Each session includes

[Academy FAQs \(frequently asked questions\)](#)

Can my child play in a recreational league and be a member of the Academy or Leprechaun Program?
Yes.

Why would I join the Academy Program as compared to just playing in a Recreational League?

The Academy Programs will provide high level licensed coaches, training will be on some of the most well kept fields in the state and players will be introduced to many technical skills and tactical concepts that may not occur in a recreational league.

What is the time commitment?

The U7 Academy Program runs once weekly August-October and twice weekly November-May. The U8-U10 Academy Program runs twice weekly August-March and three times weekly April-June. Training nights will be developed around the local recreational league schedules as much as possible. U8-U10's play games on Saturday in the NISL or WMYSA travel academy leagues.