

Spring 2018 – sent 2/5/18

Parents,

It's time to register for the spring recreation season. Registration is now open at the club website, [www.bscny.org](http://www.bscny.org). This coming season's pre-k age cut-off is prior to December 1, 2013. Please pass this message on to your friends and neighbors new to the program, as your word of mouth is the best publicity we have.

**On-time registration will end on March 11, 2018. Please sign up as soon as possible! Prompt registration allows us to create teams and divisions in a timely manner.**

This season, we will continue with the trainer model used in the Pre-K and K division. For those divisions, practice nights are limited only to one of two nights. You will select your night you wish to practice during the registration process.

The club's recreation program policies for spring 2018 are as follows:

- As mentioned, children registered for the Pre-Kindergarten teams must be born prior to December 1, 2013 and eligible for Kindergarten in fall 2018 (the class of 2031).
- Divisions are determined by grade. Grade levels may be combined if necessary to create viable divisions. If we are unable to create an "All-Girl" division, you will be contacted regarding options available. We will consider requests to play in a higher division based on talent.
- Payment may be made via credit card or check. Make checks payable to the "Bethlehem Soccer Club". The cost for each child is \$80 (\$100 if registered after March 11, 2018). Checks should be mailed to Bethlehem Soccer Club, Attention: Recreation, PO Box 305, Delmar, NY 12054
- Consider carefully your volunteer job; make sure it is one you can fulfill. If you have some knowledge of soccer or are willing to learn, **please consider being a coach or an assistant coach as these are critical to the number of teams we can support. The smaller the player-coach ratio, the better instruction we can provide. Without volunteer coaches, this program is not possible.**
- If you do not wish to volunteer, you may opt out at a fee of \$45 per family per season (if you are registering multiple children, the fee is only paid once per family. Also please note, academy opt-out fee is SEPARATE.)
- Please choose ONE night your child cannot practice. Practices are held one night a week at 5:30 PM or 6:30 PM at either the Soccerplex or Elm Avenue Town Park. Please note most teams will practice at 5:30 PM. The club anticipates a shortage of available fields at 6:30 PM due to those slots being used for older travel teams and travel games. Games are played primarily on Saturdays, with a Sunday possible due to holidays. Please try to anticipate other activities your child will be involved in during the season (music, other sports, religion classes, etc.). If you become aware of a date change from the one you originally chose, please let us know as soon as possible so we can update your registration.
- We do not honor car pool requests, or requests to be placed with friends/classmates in assigning teams.
- Requests for refunds must be made in writing and postmarked no later than April 1, 2018. Requests should be mailed to BSC, P.O. Box 305, Delmar, NY 12054 or emailed to [recreation@bscny.org](mailto:recreation@bscny.org). All refunds are subject to an administrative charge.
- Registration for the spring 2018 is now open. Registration is done online via our registration website. Click **HERE** to start the registration process for your child.
- Please email the RECREATION COORDINATOR ([recreation@bscny.org](mailto:recreation@bscny.org)) with any questions.

**KEY DATES**

- Practice begins the week of April 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- Saturday, April 28 - First Game Day
- Saturday, May 5- Picture Day/Bake Sale.
- Saturday/Sunday, May 19 & 20 - Bethlehem Invitational Tournament. No game date for that weekend set. Games may be Sunday.
- Saturday, May 26 - Memorial Day weekend, games played on Saturday
- Monday, May 28 - Memorial Day Parade. All players, coaches and parents invited to march
- Saturday June 16 - Last game of recreation season