



## PVSC TEAM LEVELS:

**Recreational soccer:** The Youth Developmental League (YDP) is the recreational division for younger players of the Gate City Youth Soccer League. The YDP runs in both fall and spring seasons. The Youth Development League is thought of as “soccer just for fun” and recreational. Here you will find our youngest, beginning level players and referees. Usually there is one game and one to two practices per week. All games are typically played at NOP Fields or Bannock Fields. There are no tryouts; everyone is placed on a team. The coaches may be entry level ex-player coaches, parent coaches who have played soccer and sometimes (but not always) have little or no soccer experience. Coaches may have coaching experience with other sports or might have a great deal of soccer experience. The goal is to provide a positive experience for all players, regardless of skill level. Game score is not taken. Play time is equal for all players with rare exception. Recreational leagues run from age 3 through 12. The commitment of time and money is low.

**PVSC Club Soccer:** The competitive side of the Gate City Youth Soccer League is called the Portneuf Valley Soccer Club (PVSC). PVSC Club Soccer runs in the spring season. PVSC Club Soccer is designed to be an entry level opportunity for older players or higher level players willing to travel for weeknight and Saturday games in Eastern Idaho within the Snake River League. Although PVSC Club Soccer is designed to provide a more competitive environment than recreational soccer, these teams are still considered developmental and “just for fun.” Approximately 30-50% of matches will require travel of up to 60-90 miles and the remaining 50-70% of the matches are local. PVSC Club Soccer Teams will generally not play in tournaments. The coaches will usually have some prior soccer coaching and playing experience. Usually there will be two practices and one game per week. These teams will not have tryouts and accept every player. PVSC Club Soccer teams will be formed if numbers permit. Player’s ages run from U13-U18. The commitment of time and money is low.

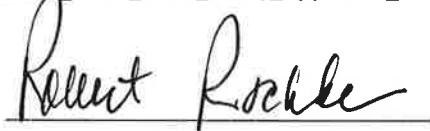
**PVSC Select Soccer:** PVSC Select Soccer runs in the spring season. PVSC Select Soccer is designed for the higher level soccer player who either is not drafted onto a PVSC Premier Soccer Team or who desires less of a financial and/or time commitment than PVSC Premier Soccer requires. Select teams generally play their games in the Snake River League (local 60-90 mile area). PVSC Select soccer facilitates players who may choose to balance their time with other activities, and those who choose not to play on Sundays. The coaches will usually have played soccer and coached in the higher levels. These coaches usually have coaching certification. The goal is to provide the most competitive level of soccer possible and prepare the players to play soccer at the varsity level in high school and to make the PVSC Premier Team if they so desire. Players are expected to practice at least two to three times per week. A player’s development is the priority of the PVSC Select teams and the primary focus is not on winning but winning is the result of player development. Parents will be expected to have your player at the Snake River League games and 100% commitment is expected at tournaments. All PVSC Select teams must attend the PVSC Classic Tournament and two other tournaments at a minimum. Examples of tournaments available to the PVSC Select Soccer Teams include the “no Sunday” tournaments such as The Dean Cook Shootout, The Yellowstone Cup,

and for some teams, The Director's Cup. PVSC Select teams may attend additional tournaments upon approval from the Competitive Director but these teams will be responsible to stipend their coaches for the additional tournaments according to PVSC Coach Pay Policy. PVSC Select Soccer teams have tryouts and may not accept every player. Player's ages run from U13-U18. The commitment of time and money is moderate.

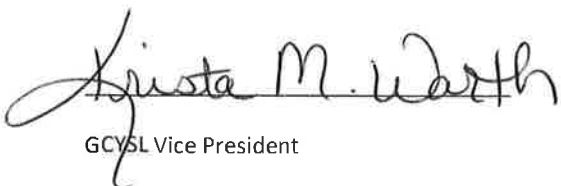
**PVSC Middle School Soccer:** PVSC Middle School Soccer runs in the fall season. The teams may be made up of players based upon the middle school that they attend. For those students who attend private schools they will be placed on a team based upon team need. PVSC Middle School is designed to be an entry level opportunity for players or higher level players from the spring PVSC Select Soccer teams. The PVSC Middle School Soccer teams will travel for weeknight and Saturday games in Eastern Idaho within the Eastern Idaho Middle School League. Approximately 30-50% of matches will require travel of up to 60-90 miles and the remaining 50-70% of the matches are local. PVSC Middle School Soccer teams will not play in tournaments. The coaches will usually have played soccer and coached in the higher levels. These coaches usually have coaching certification. The goal is to provide the most developmental yet competitive level of soccer possible and prepare the players to play soccer at the junior varsity level in high school and to make the PVSC Select Team in the spring. Players are expected to practice at least two times per week. These teams will not have tryouts and accept every player. Teams are made up of players from grades 6, 7 and 8 and will also include any freshman not making the junior varsity team for their high school. The commitment of time and money is low.

**PVSC Premier Soccer:** PVSC Premier Soccer is designed for the highest level of soccer players. PVSC Premier Soccer runs in the spring and fall season for ages U13-U14 and in the spring for ages U13-U18. The coaches will have played soccer and have higher levels of coaching certification. Coaches hold licenses with governing bodies such as the United States Soccer Federation (USSF) and the National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA). The goal is to provide the most competitive level of soccer possible and prepare players to compete at the highest level of the Idaho State Cup. Other goals include preparation to play soccer at the varsity level in high school and in some cases to play in college. These players are drawn from many different communities in Eastern Idaho. Players are expected to practice at least two to three times per week and on their own nearly every day. By nature these players choose to play year-round (fall, winter indoor, spring and summer) but are also encouraged to play other sports and do other activities. A player's development is the priority of this club and the primary focus is not on winning but winning is the result of player development. Winning a state cup championship is the priority of the PVSC Premier teams. The coaches generally expect soccer to come first at this level. Parents will be expected to have your player at all games in match play and tournaments. All PVSC Premier teams must attend the PVSC Classic Tournament and three other tournaments at a minimum. Our PVSC Premier teams must compete in either the State Cup or the Director's Cup. PVSC Premier teams may attend additional tournaments upon approval from the Competitive Director but these teams will be responsible to stipend their coaches for the additional tournaments according to PVSC Coach Pay Policy. Premier teams have tryouts and do not accept every player. Player's ages run from U13-U18. The commitment of time and money is high.

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