ECE Soccer





The Early Childhood Education (ECE) soccer program is based on our traditional OST soccer program, utilizing a curriculum geared toward younger students to simultaneously support SEL and soccer skill development. Each session involves experiential learning through play and discussion, building a strong foundation of SEL through developmentally appropriate sport and play. Our ECE soccer program helps fill the emergent need for high quality after school programming for Pre-K students.

THE BASICS:

- Teams composed of 20 Pre-K students
- Two 10 week seasons, 3 90-minute sessions/week
 - o Fall season Sept-Dec.
 - Spring season March-May

Cost: \$4,500* annually

(*subsidization from CPS OECE is possible but not guaranteed)

UI PROVIDES:

- Recruitment of students
- Training for coaches grounded in principles from the Weikert Center for Youth Program Quality
- Curriculum designed to integrate SEL & soccer skills
- Equipment for practices
- Accessible management to support program quality

SCHOOL PROVIDES:

- Head Coach* and Assistant Coach* (members of school community)
 - *School provides personnel; UI pays them
- Practice space (indoor & outdoor)
- Administrative point person of contact for UI staff
- Equipment storage location



My child is always asking, "When's soccer?
When's Monday?" Every day! I say, "You love soccer that much?" She says, "Yes!"
- Parent