



YMCA Youth Sports Evaluation

Thank you for choosing to have your child participate in our YMCA Youth Sports program. Our goal is for each child to learn the fundamentals of the game, develop self esteem and see the value of teamwork and good sportsmanship all while having fun! We are always looking for new ways to improve our program and your opinion provides valuable information. Please take a few moments to complete this evaluation.

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Additional Comments
OVERALL					
How do you rate this program?	14	25	6	1	
What is your child's opinion?	17	26	1	1	
OUR PEOPLE					
Coach	22	21	9	2	
Referee	21	15	2	0	
Program Director	25	22	4	1	
Office Staff	25	19	5	0	
OUR FACILITIES					
Condition of fields	15	27	10	0	
Cleanliness of facilities and grounds	13	31	5	1	
OUR PROGRAM					
Builds self-esteem	20	27	2	2	
Teaches fundamentals	15	24	11	2	
Fair level of competition	17	29	6	0	
Value of program for cost	15	28	8	1	
Registration process	19	25	6	0	
Team selection	16	28	7	0	
Practice Schedule	16	27	8	1	
Game Schedule	18	26	5	2	
Game Rules	21	24	6	1	
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What does your child enjoy most about our sports program?

- Scoring goals
- Just being able to have fun
- Getting to Play
- He loves soccer - and enjoys playing
- It's Fun
- Playing sports
- Playing in the games
- Running and playing. We like having two kids play & practice at the same time in different age groups
- Everything
- He enjoys soccer
- Running; having a chance to play
- Coming out and playing with other kids and the sense of being apart of a group
- Running around
- Active Fun
- Enjoys playing with the kids; the coach was encouraging to kids
- Playing with other kids
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- Learning the game
- Play with friends
- They have fun and look forward to it
- Other children to play with
- Games
- Playing the game with other kids
- Being with other kids and playing
- Getting the ball into the goal
- Swimming she enjoys; Soccer she hates
- Enjoys playing with other kids the most
- He is not pressured to be too competitive, but still learns the sport
- Fair level of competition
- Interaction with other kids - snack time
- Socializing
- She just likes playing
- Playing with other kids
- Being able to play and be involved with other children
- Playing with other kids

Participation

*He enjoyed getting to know the other players and learning to play sports
Getting him out of the house; meeting new friends
Being with other kids and having fun
Playing outside
Meeting new friends and having fun playing on a team*

How can we improve our youth sports program?

*Coaches need to stick to teaching fundamentals and be consistent in rules during games
Coaches did a good job keeping kids' attention, but need to incorporate rules and basics
Need better, more knowledgeable coaches
In multiple sports - hard to schedule w/out conflicts
Make sure parents know the game schedule
More games
The program is great
Have older kids practice more than once a week
I would like to have the coaches names and numbers in case we cannot make it
Decrease cost
Teams seem unfairly matched sometimes
More balanced teams in terms of age (3-5 yrs)
More parent participation
3-5 yrs might only need skill development
3-5 yrs almost too young to understand a game environment. If not more practices before first game
We've been involved in YMCA sports for 20 years - we've always loved the emphasis on fun and learning rather than competition
Time of games too early for some ages
9:00am too early for 3 yr olds to play games
Better communication
More teaching; less "just letting the run"
Longer season
Port-a-potty closer to soccer field
Everything is good
Wnot sure what to say, but I would have liked to have seen more technique and position taught about soccer
Coaches need to develop all skills for all children. Also need to be a little more stern to maintain attention and order.
- this holds true for all sports/classes. Out of control kids need to be handled because they are a distraction to others.
Seems like - for at least this soccer season - there was problems with getting a full time coach
Notify better when there is a cancelled game
Overall - I am satisfied with the program
At the end of the ggame season have parents come together and have a pizza party for kids at Marions and pass out trophies
Not happy with playing at the skate park!
Coaches son played all the time
Better schedule communication from coaches
Nothing
Start teaching basic fundamentals other rhan running back & forth
More focus on youner one's playing with one ball
Nothing
If you want 3 year olds to play, they should be on their own team. 3-5 is too big a gap in learning
Maybe have training for coaches or training manuals - our coach last time was so incredibly good.
- ...the practices were run like true training practices and she was great with the kids.
Most parents don't know how to lead practices and aren't sure what to do. Our coach this time didn't know anything
- ...about soccer and didn't really teach the kids anything*

How did you hear about our youth sports programs?

- Friend 5
- Program participant 19
- Advertisement 7
- Other (Specify) 20

Would you recommend our program to a friend?

- Yes 45
- No 3

The YMCA Youth Sports Program:

- Exceeded expectations 8
- Met expectations 31
- Below expectations 8

The YMCA's mission is to put Christian principles into practice through programs that build a healthy body, mind and spirit for all. Do you feel

- Yes 35
- No 9

Additional comments about our Youth Sports Program

*We were dissappointed that there weren't teamsfor the older age group (8 & up)
I loved the team sign-up being based on practice schedule. The website was also helpful
Seems a little less organized sometimes
Do not put RELIGION into YMCA*

other teams got to develop skills that our team didn't even know about
Purple team was out of control. Throwing ball back in bounds when they wanted
Impartial refs needed
The program is run much better this year than last year
Very poor communication. Did not know when pictures were
Didn't say player pledge before games - other YMCA do a YMCA Fair Play Pledge
Parents should have to be at the field during practices and games and not leave the child - then return after game or practice is completed
Parents should attend practice and games - coaches sign up to coach, not babysit
- this is especially important for injury concerns as well as support for the child that's playing
Felt my son was not fair playing time. Always made to play the same position - caused him to get bored.