



# U8 Male (birth date falls between 8/1/06 and 7/31/08 )

**Directors:** **David Kiser** BYSA Director 1991-present; Bartlett High School Soccer Coach 1986-2009, Bartlett SC President 2005-present  
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**Trainers:** Parent volunteers that have been specifically trained to teach the rules and skills of the game.  
 Training session for this age is Saturday, March 21, 9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. at the Bartlett Blvd Soccer Park.

**Philosophy:** The purpose of the BYSA is to provide the community of Bartlett a league for the adults and their children to learn to play the sport of soccer. BYSA will award a trophy to each player at the end of the season.

**Goals:** (1) Have fun. (2) Learn the rules of the sport. (3) Learn the individual skills. (4) Learn combination play

**Purpose:** We suggest meeting the needs of the child by allowing them to play in an environment that is conducive to their age and social skills. By playing 4-a-side soccer, the children are afforded greater participation. This is brought about through the reduction of players on the field and the reduction of field size. We are able to complicate the environment enough for the players to teach the new objectives without overwhelming them. Because there are fewer players on the field, your child will touch the ball more which in turn will develop his/her skills and enjoyment of the game.

**The Teams:** The maximum number of players on a 4-a-side team will be eight.

**Practice:** The U8 Male group will practice at the same time at the **Appling Soccer Fields** at the end of Flaherty Place by the Bartlett Recreation Center. You should receive information through email instructing you where at the complex to meet the rest of your team. If you have not received information by the first listed date, come to the first practice and we will direct you where to go. The dates and times for practices/matches for the entire season (except for the two weeknight matches) are as follows:

	Thursday			Saturday		
Week 01	3/26	5:45-7:00	Practice	3/28	10:15-11:30	Practice
Week 02	4/02	5:45-7:00	Practice	4/04	10:15-11:30	Practice
Week 03	4/09	5:45-7:00	Practice	4/11	TBA	Match
Week 04	4/16	5:45-7:00	Practice	4/18	TBA	Match
Week 05	4/23	5:45-7:00	Practice	4/25	TBA	Match
Week 06	4/30	5:45-7:00	Practice	5/02	TBA	Match
Week 07	5/07	5:45-7:00	Practice	5/09	TBA	Match
Week 08	5/14	5:45-7:00	Practice	5/16	TBA	Match
Week 09	5/21	5:45-7:00	Practice	5/23	TBA	Match

We guarantee 7 matches, 9 matches are scheduled. Two matches will be scheduled during the week for a total of 9 matches. The extra matches are overscheduled to compensate in case of inclement weather. We will try to make up as many dates as possible. If a match is canceled due to inclement weather and can be made up, the make-up date will be posted on [www.bartlettsoccer.com](http://www.bartlettsoccer.com).

**Inclement weather:** Check [www.bartlettsoccer.com](http://www.bartlettsoccer.com) to find out if the fields are open.

**Equipment:** **Size 4 ball**      **Shinguards**      **Water Bottle**

**Insurance:** Individual accident health insurance is **NOT** provided by the Bartlett Parks and Recreation Department or the Bartlett Youth Soccer Association.

**Fee:** \$105 by February 7. \$125 after February 7. Make checks payable to "BYSA". Awards are included.

**Pictures:** Pictures are **NOT** included. If a team wants their picture made, it will be up to the team to make arrangements for a photographer. BYSA in no way is involved with team pictures or photographers.

**Refunds:** **All refunds are subject to a \$35 handling fee.** Up to March 28, you can receive a refund less the handling fee. After March 28, NO REFUNDS will be issued. See the full Refund Policy at [www.bartlettsoccer.com](http://www.bartlettsoccer.com).