



CC United Soccer Club Team Placement



We have devised a player evaluation method to aid in the team selection process at CC United Soccer Club. The purpose of creating a more detailed evaluation process is to decrease the potential of misplacing players. Player placement is not only vital to the individual player's soccer development; it also plays a major role in their psychological development throughout life. Placing a weaker player on a high level team could not only affect the confidence of the individual, but also the relationship he/she has with the other teammates. Conversely, placing a stronger player on a weaker team could lead to frustration of the individual. And due to the player's influence on the game when he/she plays, it could also affect the development of the rest of the team. The evaluation process will give the player detailed feedback on the specific aspects of their game that require attention which could affect the decision to either displace or promote them from the team. The player evaluation process consists of a five-part process for all players.

The five categories of the evaluation process are as follows:

- Attendance -beginning at teams 1st practice
- Coaches (June) Evaluation
- Coaches Final Evaluation
- Skills Testing (U9-U10 Players)
- Game Evaluations A and B with outside evaluators

NOTE!! When the age group has less than 1 Goalkeeper (that is their only position) per team they will be rostered with the MYSA onto the lowest team in the age group to allow each team to have coverage in this specialist position. Although the goalkeepers will be *rostered* with the lowest team, they will be *placed* with a team that they prioritize

The Attendance Sheet will be filled in by the team's assistant coach/team manager. Each player that misses a practice or a game will be marked down accordingly. Players will have the opportunity to be excused from practice by either a family situation or an injury. Players that miss practice and do not call will be marked absent for that specific date. The attendance sheet will start at the players 1st practice.

Coaches (June) Evaluation will give the players the opportunity to see what their coach feels their strengths and weaknesses are. The evaluation will be written by the coach with input of the assistant(s) and will contain specific exercises or advice on how the player can improve either on the practice field or at games.

Coaches Final Evaluation will be given to the Director of Coaching at the end of the season after the tryout procedure is complete. The evaluation will contain each player's rank and its explanation. The evaluation will also require the coach to give an overall technical, physical, psychological and game effectiveness mark.

Skills Testing is part of the tryout process for U9-U10 players. The players will be required to take five tests which will give them an objective score on their technical ability. Once we have collected five scores, we will to give them an age group ranking for their technical ability.

Game Evaluation A (Small-Sided) will be conducted by the Director of Coaching and will have additional input from qualified licensed coaches from outside the community. Qualified licensed coaches from within the Club, not associated with the team, may also be used. The fields will be ranked and for the first hour, players will be moved from field to field based on their game performance. They will then be evaluated on the field they finish on. Players will be evaluated on their technical and physical abilities by two evaluators and will also be given a field bonus (additional points based on the field) they finish on.

Game Evaluation B (large game) The second field evaluation (for U11 plus aged players) will have players playing on a field that is relevant in size and numbers to the age group they are trying out for. Evaluators will mark players based on the level/s of play that will be available to the age group.

Once all of the information is collected, the team selection process will begin. The advantage of the tryout system will be that if a player has an "off day" at tryouts or misses part of the season due to an injury, they will have other opportunities to stake their claim for a specific team.

Due to the number of teams at CC United, a player that demonstrates a high level of physical and technical abilities that is advanced of their own age group and ranks highly in the coaches evaluation, may be placed at an age level above on the recommendation of the Director of Coaching.

Players missing tryouts must be registered and must contact the DOC by August 1st to gain an exemption in order to be considered for placement on the top teams. Players that miss tryouts and gain an exemption will be placed based on their coach's evaluation. If a player cannot make their own age group time they can tryout with a different age group as tryouts are a declaration of interest in playing the following year and attending any age group/s times will justify that. It must be noted that if a player is a bubble player (potential between two different leveled teams) it will be impossible to fairly evaluate them at another age group as attending the correct age group will put them up against other players who are in the same situation.

Outside Community players at tryouts (OCP) In order to provide opportunities for the players from our Home Area, all but three (3) roster spots on our competitive program's top ranked team, in any age/gender category, are reserved for players residing in our Home Area or meeting one of these requirements:

- Have played for CC United, and no other competitive/traveling club (e.g. MYSA or USCS affiliates), beginning no later than U9
- Have played for CC United, and no other competitive/traveling club (e.g. MYSA or USCS affiliates), the last 24 Months (After 24 months the player will be considered a Home Area player regardless of residency.)

Our Home Area is defined as the entire cities of Carver, Chanhassen, Chaska, Victoria as well as any other areas that fall within Independent School District 112.

If needed in order to form a team, the CC United Soccer Club Board of Directors has the authority to provide a team with an exemption from the Home Area player preference policy on a per season basis.

Outside Community players who were not living in the area for tryouts may be placed based on the needs of the age group or based on a training evaluation from the DOC or club trainers. These players will not disrupt any of the rostered players on the highest team but they may have the opportunity to earn a spot on that team after being assessed by the DOC or club Staff.

Team formation has the goal of creating as many different levels of play for each age group. It is the goal of the club that by the time that players reach the U13 age level that we have a classic one, two and three status to cater for all levels of our players ability Teams will be formed from the top 1st looking to build as many top teams as possible. In the event of multiple teams playing at the lower level (creating an unbalanced age group) one team will carry a stronger roster.