



2024 New Trier Boys Soccer Tryout Info



2024 Important Dates	
Event	Date
2023-24 NTHS School Year Ends	Thursday, 6/6
Summer Soccer Begins	Monday, 6/10
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Soccer Tryouts Begin	Monday, 8/12
2024-25 NTHS School Year Begins	Wednesday, 8/21
Season Opener vs. Fremd – All Levels	Monday, 8/26 -or- Tuesday, 8/27
Last Game – Frosh, Sophomore, and JV	Saturday, 10/19
Program Banquet	Monday, 10/21
IHSA 3A State Finals	Friday, 11/8 and Saturday, 11/9

Tryouts for the 2024 NTBS fall season begin on Monday, August 12, 2024.¹ All age groups will start their tryout at **7:00am** on the Northfield Campus. The first tryout session will include a fitness test (the Beep Test, or Multi-Stage Fitness Test) and additional small-sided activities. Later tryout sessions will evaluate offensive (dribbling, passing, receiving, shooting, etc.) and defensive (pressure, cover, tackling, heading, etc.) technical skills in 1v1, 2v1, and 2v2 scenarios as well as overall skills in small-sided and full regulation 11v11 games.

With the exception of returning varsity players, all athletes will begin tryouts with their age group (rising freshmen, rising sophomores, and rising juniors/seniors). Any movement of individual players to an older age group during tryouts will be at the discretion of the coaching staff and communicated to families privately.

Unquestionably, selecting teams is the most difficult part of every season. As a program, we plan to field five teams (Varsity, JV, Sophomore, Frosh A, and Frosh B) and will likely make cuts at all levels. We acknowledge that the tryout process can be challenging on many levels for athletes and their families. Please know that we, the NTBS coaching staff, will make every effort to ensure a safe, fair, and thorough tryout experience for all athletes. Final decisions regarding team selection will be made in a private conversation between an athlete and coach(es). Please also be aware of the following:

- **Players that do not attend tryouts are not eligible to participate in the 2024 Boys Soccer Season!**
- In order to participate in tryouts, each player must register **online** at least one week before the start of tryouts (i.e., Monday, August 5th, 2024) → <https://newtrierhs-ar.schooltoday.com/>

¹ The Boys Soccer season calendar is set each year by the IHSA. For more information, please visit: <https://www.ihsa.org/Sports-Activities/Boys-Soccer/5Year-Season-Calendar>

- Soccer cleats, shin guards, athletic shorts, and an athletic t-shirt are required to play.
- Tryouts for ALL levels will be at the **Northfield Campus** (turf and/or grass fields)
- Final selections for all levels will be made no sooner than Wednesday, 8/14/24 (i.e., after Tryout Session #3) and no later than Friday, 8/16/24 (i.e., after Tryout Session #5).
- Rising seniors will **not** be selected for the JV team.
- Roster sizes tend to fall within the range of 18-22 players (includes GKs).
- Technical skill, tactical acumen, athleticism, and size are important factors in team selection, but so are our program values (i.e., leadership, “nails” mentality, positivity, competitiveness, and commitment)!
- Local club gear is not permitted during tryouts.
- Cross Country (Head Coach Matt Sloan) and Football (Head Coach Brian Doll) are options for athletes who are not selected for a soccer team.
- Good luck to everyone trying out!!!
- If you have any questions, please contact Head Coach Matt Ravenscraft
 - Email → ravenbcm@nthsh.net
 - Office Phone → (847) 784-6673
- Please refer to the schedule below for the first TWO weeks of the soccer season (i.e., August 12—August 25).
- Note that this schedule is a subject to change at any point and players should confirm with coaches of their respective levels **every day** to ensure they know when and where to be for tryout sessions and training sessions!

Monday, August 12

Tryout Session #1: Check-in, Fitness Test (Running Shoes), and small-sided games (Cleats, Shin Guards)

Time	Location	Level(s)
7am—10am	Northfield Stadium (Turf)	ALL

Tuesday, August 13

Tryout Session #2

Time	Location	Level(s)
8am—11am	Track Field (Grass)	Freshman
8am—11am	Field 1 (Turf)	Sophomore
8am—11am	Stadium (Turf)	Junior/Senior

Wednesday, August 14

Tryout Session #3

Time	Location	Level(s)
8am—11am	Track Field (Grass)	Freshman
8am—11am	Field 1 (Turf)	Sophomore
8am—11am	Stadium (Turf)	Junior/Senior

Thursday, August 15

Tryout Session #4 (if required) -or- Training Session

Time	Location	Level(s)
8am—11am	Track Field (Grass)	Freshman
8am—11am	Field 1 (Turf)	Sophomore
8am—11am	Stadium (Turf)	Junior/Senior

Friday, August 16

Tryout Session #5 (if required) -or- Training Session

Time	Location	Level(s)
8am—11am	Track Field (Grass)	Freshman
8am—11am	Field 1 (Turf)	Sophomore
8am—11am	Stadium (Turf)	Junior/Senior

Saturday, August 17

Morning Training

Time	Location	Level(s)
8am—10am	Grids (Grass)	Freshman
10am—12pm	Northfield Stadium (Turf)	Varsity
8am—10am	Track Field (Grass)	Sophomore, JV

Afternoon Training

Time	Location	Level(s)
3pm—5pm	Northfield	Varsity

Sunday, August 18

REST DAY - ALL LEVELS

Monday, August 19

NO MORNING TRAINING

Afternoon Training: Program Training Session #1

Time	Location	Level(s)
3pm—5pm	Northfield (Turf, Grass)	ALL

Tuesday, August 20

NO MORNING TRAINING

Afternoon Training

Time	Location	Level(s)
3pm—5pm	Northfield (Turf, Grass)	ALL

*****Mandatory Fall Sports Info Meeting, Gaffney Auditorium (Winnetka)*****

TUESDAY, AUGUST 20, 6:00pm—7:00pm

Players – Parents – Coaches

Wednesday, August 21 (First Day of Classes)

NO MORNING TRAINING

Afternoon Training

Time	Location	Level(s)
3pm—5pm	Northfield (Turf, Grass)	ALL

Thursday, August 22

NO MORNING TRAINING

Afternoon Training: SCRIMMAGE SCHEDULE

Time	Stadium (Turf)	Field 2 (Grass)
4:00pm—4:40pm	Frosh A vs. Soph	Frosh B vs. Frosh B
4:45pm—5:25pm	JV vs. Soph	Frosh A vs. Frosh B
5:30pm—6:10pm	Varsity vs. JV	N/A
6:15pm—6:55pm	Varsity vs. Varsity	N/A

Friday, August 23

NO MORNING TRAINING

Afternoon training: Program Training Session #2

Time	Location	Level(s)
3pm—5pm	Northfield (Turf, Grass)	ALL

Saturday, August 24 (TEAM PICTURE DAY)

Morning Training

Time	Location	Level(s)
9am—11am	Northfield Stadium (Turf)	Varsity

NO AFTERNOON TRAINING

Sunday, August 25

REST DAY – ALL LEVELS

Monday, August 26

Season Opening Match vs. Fremd! (Junior Varsity, Frosh A, Frosh B)

Training for Varsity and Sophomore teams

Tuesday, August 27

Season Opening Match at Fremd! (Varsity, Sophomore)

Training for Junior Varsity, Frosh A and Frosh B teams

Each coach will issue their respective team's training schedules via email and/or the REMIND APP for Monday, August 26 and beyond (if not sooner).