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Carolina FC: Excellence in Soccer:

Carolina FC is a 501 (c)(3) charitable organization which offers soccer instruction and competition for boys and girls ages 3 – 18. Established in 1981, the soccer club has grown and evolved as soccer has increased in popularity in the US and South Carolina. CFC is affiliated with US Youth Soccer through the South Carolina Youth Soccer Association.

Proven Success:

CFC players and teams demonstrate consistent success within statewide and regional leagues. They also proudly represent CFC on their high school teams. Many players have gone on to play college soccer at all levels from DI to NAIA with CFC alumni found on the rosters of USC, Lenior-Rhyne, Anderson University, SMC, UNC – Greensboro, USC – Upstate, Limestone, Washington and Lee, Wofford, Converse, Erskine and others.

Carolina Football Club Powered by GPS

Global Premier Soccer (GPS) is one of the largest soccer organizations in the United States, currently operating in 26 states across the country and is the official North American Youth Partner of FC Bayern Munich. FC Bayern Munich is one of the biggest and most successful professional clubs in world soccer and has a proven track record of developing world-class players and competing in the highest echelons of world football.

The mission of Global Premier Soccer is to be a clear leader in the development and growth of soccer across North America and beyond. We will establish an identity of excellence as we pursue our pathway to success on and off the field with our primary focus being the development of players and people. We will develop who can compete at the highest level of Soccer throughout the world

Why are we different?

At Carolina FC we pride ourselves on our professionalism, the care we show to our players and our families, and the respect afforded to each and every player who enters the CFC Family. We want each player to enjoy their time with the club, be challenged in a positive coaching environment and improve themselves as players and as people as they progress through the CFC player development pathway.

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The Carolina FC Academy and Select Programs: Introduction

The Carolina FC Academy and Select programs are for young players who aspire to achieve excellence in their game. Our emphasis is player-centric with development the number one priority. We focus on the technical, tactical, physical and psychological development of players on a pathway towards maximizing their full potential.

The winning tradition that has been established over the past 37 years is based on each player improving significantly over the time they are with the club. All players will conduct themselves at all times in accordance with the Carolina FC Academy and Select player code of conduct and all players will be treated as equals.

The CFC Coaching staff will be coaches of positive significance in our player's lives. Our coaches will inspire and motivate our players in an atmosphere of respect and honesty versus fear and intimidation and players will be encouraged to think for themselves. Success is achieved through building good habits and having players be accountable for their own development.

Our Academy and Select Programs are divided three distinct phases

- Academy Program: 2011 - 2007
- Junior Select Program: 2006 - 2005
- Senior Select Program: 2004 – 2000

The Carolina FC Academy Program: Birth Years: 2011 - 2007

The academy Program is designed for U8 - U11 players as a bridge between the Recreational Program and Select Program. It is ideal for the young player who is taking particular interest in the sport of soccer and appears to be ready for a higher level of training as well as increased expectations. Yet, the Academy Program remains primarily focused on individual player development; instead of team results. All academy players are trained by a professionally licensed coach. All academy teams will play in the Sandlapper League organized through South Carolina Youth Soccer Association.

The Carolina FC Select Program: Birth Years: 2006 – 2000

The CFC Select Program offers a tailored curriculum for our U13 – U19 teams and will provide year round opportunities for 2006 and 2005 birth years while 2004 to 2000 will play fall-only due to high school commitments in the spring season. The Carolina FC Select Program is split as a tiered system with players split dependent on ability, attitude, commitment and what CFC believes is the best fit for the player's development. Teams are split into the following tiers

1. Elite
2. Blue
3. Gold
4. Silver

Each tier continues to develop players through the four pillars of player development: technical, tactical, physical and psychological. There will be less movement between each tier of the program however, the CFC staff reserve the right to move players up and down depending on what they feel is best for the individual player's development.

Our teams will compete in leagues under the South Carolina Youth Soccer Association with the addition of state and regional events depending on the level of the group. Teams will compete in various tournaments throughout the year with all players expected to take part. Teams will generally compete in 2 to 4 tournaments per year.



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The Carolina FC Academy and Select Program: Team Calendar

Academy Program Structure: Birth Year 2011 - 2007

Summer:	June and July, 2018 – Palmetto Soccer Camps, Technical Performance Training
Fall Season:	August 7 – November 18, 2018
Winter:	December 7 – January 13, 2018 – Winter Futsal*, Technical Performance Training *Winter Futsal is included in team fees. Schedule runs until early Feb.
Spring Season:	January 14 – April 29, 2018
Practices:	Two team session per week (Fall and Spring) One technical session per week (Fall and Spring) Two goalkeeper sessions per week (Fall and Spring)
League Play:	South Carolina Youth Soccer Association Sandlapper League – Games on Sat and Sun.
Team Camp:	Carolina FC Preseason Camp, August 7 – 9, 2018
Tournaments:	3 local and 1 regional tournament (2 per season, pre-season and post-season)
Training Location:	Spartanburg, SC – Carolina FC Complex or USC Upstate
Game Structure:	U9/U10 play 7v7. U11/U12 play 9v9 – CFC has a style of play implemented across the club

Junior Select Program Structure: Birth Year 2006 - 2005

Summer:	June and July, 2018 – Palmetto Soccer Camps, Technical Performance Training
Fall Season:	August 7 – November 18, 2018
Winter:	December 7 – January 13, 2018 – Winter Futsal*, Technical Performance Training *Winter Futsal is included in team fees. Schedule runs until early Feb.
Spring Season:	January 14 – April 29, 2018
Practices:	Open and PMSL - 2 team session per week, Challenge – 3 team sessions per week (Fall and Spring) One technical session per week (Fall and Spring) Two goalkeeper sessions per week (Fall and Spring)
League Play:	South Carolina Youth Soccer Association – Games mostly on Sat and Sun.
Team Camp:	Carolina FC Preseason Camp, August 7 – 9, 2018
Tournaments:	3 local and 1 regional tournament (2 per season, pre-season and post-season)
Training Location:	Spartanburg, SC – Carolina FC Complex or USC Upstate
Game Structure:	11 v 11 – CFC has a style of play implemented across the club

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Senior Select Program Structure: Birth Year 2004 - 2000

Summer:	June and July, 2018 – Palmetto Soccer Camps, Technical Performance Training
Fall Season:	August 7 – November 18, 2018
Winter:	December 7 – January 13, 2018 – Winter Futsal, Technical Performance Training
Spring Season:	High School Seasons
Practices:	Open and PMSL - 2 team session per week, Challenge – 3 team sessions per week (Fall and Spring) One technical session per week (Fall and Spring) Two goalkeeper sessions per week (Fall and Spring)
League Play:	South Carolina Youth Soccer Association – Games mostly on Sat and Sun.
Team Camp:	Carolina FC Preseason Camp, August 7 – 9, 2018
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Carolina FC Academy and Select Program: Uniform 2018/2019

Carolina FC is a Generation Adidas club. We would like our players to represent our partnership fully including footwear with the aim to be an adidas club 'head to toe'. Carolina FC utilize an online ordering process for player uniform, one we believe will further enhance the player experience at the club.

EZ kit is an online uniform platform that will allow you to order and pay for your CFC uniform directly through We Got Soccer. On all CFC attire/equipment there is an a la carte option for additional purchases throughout the year.

IMAGE COMING SOON

Why EZ Kit?

Carolina FC continue to look for ways to provide superior customer service. By taking the uniform process away from the Club, and by using an online ordering system through We Got Soccer, CFC believe that the apparel process will be simplified and more accessible for all.

How Do I Order? Step by step guide.

1. Once you have completed the Carolina FC registration you will be assigned your jersey number for the 2018/2019 Season
2. Please visit <http://www.wegotsoccer.com/gpscarolina> and choose your state of residency/program.
3. This page will provide you with instructions on the ordering process. Please read carefully.
4. On the left hand bar you will see the option for uniform, click and choose the 'Premier' option.
5. Please click your uniform package and begin selecting sizes. Note any items that have embroidery cannot be returned.
6. Proceed to checkout, before making payment triple check all sizes.
7. Use the code: **GPSSCREWARD** at checkout.
8. Make payment – sit back and relax and wait for your 2018/2019 attire to arrive.

Please note - as part of the EZ Kit process, hosted by the preferred soccer retailer of CFC, players will also be automatically enrolled to the WGS Rewards Club. Members will receive 10% on all in-store and online purchase and 5% cash back towards future purchases.

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Carolina FC Academy and Select Program: Fees and Payment Policies 2018/2019

Carolina FC has developed an all-inclusive price structure for the 2018/19 seasonal year. With this structure, there will be no team fees for tournaments, coaches travel, referees, etc. Many clubs list one price and then charge another \$50 to \$100 per month, making your fees higher than the listed price.

Academy Program: Birth Years 2011 – 2007

Sandlapper League

Payment	Cost	Payment Dates
Registration	\$250.00	June 1, 2018
Monthly Payment	\$92.00	1 st of month, June through April
Total	\$1,170.00	

Fees Include

- Coaching Fees
- Referee and League Fees
- Player Insurance Through SCYSA
- Two Team Practices per week
- Technical Sessions
- Goalkeeper Sessions
- CFC Preseason Camp
- Winter Futsal Program
- 4 Tournaments
- Coaches travel expenses
- Administrative costs
- Field and facility fees

Junior Select Program: Birth Years 2006 - 2005

Open League and PMSL Level Teams

Payment	Cost	Payment Dates
Registration	\$300.00	June 1, 2018
Monthly Payment	\$111.50	1 st of month, June through April
Total	\$1,415.00	

Fees Include

- Coaching Fees
- Referee and League Fees
- Player Insurance Through SCYSA
- Two Team Practices per week
- Technical Sessions
- Goalkeeper Sessions
- CFC Preseason Camp
- Winter Futsal Program
- 4 Tournaments
- Coaches travel expenses
- Administrative costs
- Field and facility fees

Junior Select Program: Birth Years 2006 - 2005

Challenge Level Teams

Payment	Cost	Payment Dates
Registration	\$300.00	June 1, 2018
Monthly Payment	\$138.20	1 st of month, June through April
Total	\$1,655.00	

Fees Include

- Coaching Fees
- Referee and League Fees
- Player Insurance Through SCYSA
- Three Team Practices per week
- Technical Sessions
- Goalkeeper Sessions
- CFC Preseason Camp
- Winter Futsal Program
- 4 Tournaments
- Coaches travel expenses
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- Field and facility fees



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Senior Select Program: Birth Years 2004 – 2000

Open and PMSL Level Teams

Payment	Cost	Payment Dates
Registration	\$300.00	June 1, 2018
Monthly Payment	\$123.00	1 st of month, June through November
Total	\$915.00	

Fees Include

- Coaching Fees
- Referee and League Fees
- Player Insurance Through SCYSA
- Two Team Practices per week
- Technical Sessions
- Goalkeeper Sessions
- CFC Preseason Camp
- Weekly Speed and Agility Training
- 2 Tournaments
- Coaches travel expenses
- Administrative costs
- Field and facility fees

Senior Select Program: Birth Years 2004 – 2000

Challenge Level Teams

Payment	Cost	Payment Dates
Registration	\$300.00	June 1, 2018
Monthly Payment	\$155.00	1 st of month, June through November
Total	\$1,075.00	

Fees Include

- Coaching Fees
- Referee and League Fees
- Player Insurance Through SCYSA
- Three Team Practices per week
- Technical Sessions
- Goalkeeper Sessions
- CFC Preseason Camp
- Weekly Speed and Agility Training
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Payment	Cost	Payment Dates
Registration	\$350.00	June 1, 2018
Monthly Payment	\$163.00	1 st of month, June through November
Total	\$1,165.00	

Fees Include

- Coaching Fees
- Referee and League Fees
- Player Insurance Through SCYSA
- Three Team Practices per week
- Technical Sessions
- Goalkeeper Sessions
- CFC Preseason Camp
- Weekly Speed and Agility Training
- 2 Tournaments
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- Field and facility fees

Tournament Fees

Over the course of the year your team will compete in various tournaments that are paid for in your yearly tuition. Please note that any additional tournament or showcase events will incur an additional fee. This tournament fee varies depending on the amount of additional events your team participates in and the cost of those events.

The only time CFC will adjust a tournament fee is when it is the coach's decision to leave a player out of a tournament squad. Should a player choose not to go then they are still responsible to pay, as CFC base these fees on full participation.



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Carolina FC Payment Policies

- All registration fees and payment 1 must be paid prior to June 1, 2018.
- Fees are collected in advance due to many of our expenses associated with the Academy and Select Program being payable in advance.
- Carolina FC operates a strict No Refund Policy, except in the case of a season-ending injury.
- Payment Plans and Financial Aid are provided on a demonstrated-need basis. Financial Aid and Payment Plan requests must be submitted and agreed upon in advance of payment deadlines. All families receiving Financial Aid will be required to provide support to CFC in an area of their choice as documented in the Scholarship Handbook.
- If you are provided with Financial Aid, families will be automatically placed on a monthly payment plan to be charged on the 1st of each month. All Financial Aid applications should be sent to the club treasurer by the deadlines noted below.
- All players need to have their Financial Aid forms in by the 1st day of tryouts in that player's age group.
- I accept that if I leave and require to be released to join another club my Credit Card will be billed for the remaining balance of the 2018/2019 Season.

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Carolina FC Academy and Select: Registration

Congratulations on being accepted to the Carolina FC Academy and Select Program! This page will guide you through the registration process, which MUST be completed to confirm your roster spot.

Step 1: Please click on the registration link provided in your acceptance email. This will take you through to Carolina FC's Blue Sombrero registration system. If you have a current Blue Sombrero account, please enter your username and password. If you do not have an account with Blue SOMbrero, please create one that can be used moving forward. This is a mandatory phase of registration.

Step 2: Please complete the questions regarding player and family contact information and any additional questions.

Step 3: Please choose your payment option which will be one of the following:

1. Pay Tuition in Full: Players receive 5% discount off their fees when selecting this option.
2. Automatic Payment Plan: Your credit card will automatically be charged at the pre-determined payment dates.

In our efforts to continue to provide exemplary soccer training to your child, we will continue to work diligently with you by sending periodic notifications about your payment status. If your account becomes delinquent after a 14-day grace period, we reserve the right to apply late fees to your account. If we are required to charge your Blue Sombrero account there will be a \$25.00 admin fee and \$50.00 late fee attributed to your payment. In the event of an unprocessed or returned payment, any charges incurred by CFC will be added to your account.

At this stage of the registration process, you will be required to complete your first payment. If you require a different payment method or need to apply for financial aid on acceptance to the program please contact your Regional Director of Coaching.

Step 4: You will be asked to electronically acknowledge/sign off on the following agreements:

- Waiver and Medical Release
- Talent Release
- Code of Conduct
- No Refund Policy
- Upload copy of Birth Certificate and Headshot

Step 5: Electronically sign and your registration is complete!



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Carolina FC Academy and Select Program: Directory and Communication Protocol

Every CFC team will have the following organizational structure

Head Coach:

Responsible for all soccer specifics, the team calendar, training and communicating effectively with each and every family

Team Manager:

Responsible for communication of all team logistics and provides administrative support to the Head Coach. The Team Manager has no input on any soccer-related matters.

Directors:

Responsible for overseeing all team matters within their specific division.

Carolina FC Executive Director	Rafe Mauran	rafe@carolinafc.net
Carolina FC Academy Director:	Ellis Alleyne	ealleyne@globalpremiersoccer.com
Carolina FC Select Director	Amer Resumovic	amer.resumovic@gmail.com
Carolina FC Recreation Director	Cory Junker	coryjunker@yahoo.com

Carolina FC has implemented a program from a communication perspective called the C.A.R.E. initiative.

- C Communication
- A Accountability
- R Respect
- E Exceed Expectations

Head coaches are expected to communicate effectively with each and every player and family throughout the season to ensure there is always clarity in the decision-making process and organization if any last minute changes should arise.

Head coaches will be communicating regularly with parents and players on the team. The protocol will be

Weekly Emails:	Coaches should send a minimum of 1 email per week to their team during the season.
Pre-Season Meeting:	Needs to be attended by players and at least 1 parent.
Monthly Team Meeting:	Needs to be attended by players and at least 1 parent.
Game Reports:	Follow-up report on weekend games and tournaments.
Player Evaluations:	End of season individual player evaluations.

Players should be clear on the areas that they do well in and on areas where improvement is needed. There should be no surprises at the end of year evaluation. If a parent wishes to discuss a soccer related question with the Head Coach, they should arrange a specific time to speak on the phone or meet with the Head Coach in person. It is against club policy for a parent to approach a Head Coach directly after a game.

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Carolina FC Coach and Team Directory

Team	Level	Coach	Team	Level	Coach
2010 Boys Blue	Academy	Joe Childers	2010 Girls Blue	Academy	David Calloway
2009 Boys Blue	Academy	Ellis Alleyne	2009 Girls Blue	Academy	Helena Phillips
2009 Boys Gold	Academy	David Calloway	2009 Girls Gold	Academy	Dave Pereira
2008 Boys Blue	Academy	Karl Casida	2008 Girls Blue	Academy	Nico Luque
2008 Boys Gold	Academy	Rob Depaol	2008 Girls Gold*	Academy	Adam Payne
2007 Boys Blue	Academy	Josh Gutierrez	2007 Girls Blue	Academy	Chris Carmichael
2007 Boys Gold	Academy	Joe Childers			Eduardo Chen
2006 Boys Elite	Challenge	Amer Resumovic	2006 Girls Elite	PMSL	Helina Phillips
2006 Boys Blue	PMSL	Cory Junker			
2005 Boys Elite	PMSL	Ellis Alleyne	2005 Girls Elite	Challenge	Rob Depaol
2005 Boys Blue	Open	Shane Pruitt	2005 Girls Blue*	Open	Greg Knight
2004 Boys Elite	National	Rafe Mauran	2004 Girls Elite	Challenge	Cory Junker
2004 Boys Blue	PMSL	Roger Zuchowski	2004 Girls Blue*	PMSL	Mark Sullivant
2003 Boys Elite	Challenge	Rob Depaol/Casida	2003 Girls Elite	Challenge	Amer Resumovic
2003 Boys Blue	PMSL	Karl Casida/Depaol			
2002 Boys Elite	Challenge	Josh Gutierrez	2002 Girls Elite	National	Amer Resumovic
2002 Boys Blue	Open	Cory Junker	2002 Girls Blue	Challenge	David Calloway
			2002 Girls Gold	PMSL	Fernando Gomez
			2002 Girls Silver*	PMSL	Jerry Smith
2001 Boys Elite	National/Challenge	Nico Luque	2001 Girls Elite*	Challenge	Jerry Smith
2001 Boys Blue	Challenge	Jorge Santos			
2001 Boys Gold	PMSL	Jorge Santos			
2000 Boys Elite	National/Challenge	Evan Rogers	2000 Girls Elite	Challenge	Karl Casida
			2000 Girls Blue	PMSL	David Pereira

* Denotes team based out of Hendersonville with Blue Ridge Soccer Club.



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