

Congratulations and thank you for your player's commitment to join the Soccer Association of Columbia's Travel/Pre-Academy Program for 2020-2021.

There are two types of fees with the SAC Travel/Pre-Academy Program, i.e. SAC Club Membership Dues and Team Fees (including Commitment Fee).

To complete your SAC registration process, you will need:

- **to make payment to SAC** for Club Membership Dues; payment must be made prior to participation in any team activity
- **to make payment to the team** for a Commitment Fee via [Groundwork](#) (see Team Fees below); due upon acceptance to the team
- to authorize payment plan setup in [Groundwork](#) for future team fees using either ACH debits or credit card payments

Club Membership Dues (using Sports Connect):

Membership dues will be used for Club Administrative, Technical and Operations staff, risk management/background screenings, club insurance, marketing & communications, coaching education, equipment purchases, capital improvements, complex maintenance and field usage for games.

Travel/Pre-Academy players must login to Sports Connect and process a \$350 payment to SAC. **Each player must pay the SAC membership dues prior to participating in any team activity.** Please provide a copy of your confirmation email reflecting payment to your team treasurer.

Please use this link, <https://clubs.bluesombrero.com/Default.aspx?tabid=920017>, to submit payment in Sports Connect and select **Travel Club Membership Dues**. *If your player's age group is not available for your player or if you need assistance to register your player in Sports Connect, please contact the SAC registrar (registrar@sac-hc.org).*

Team Fees (using Ground Work):

(You will receive an invitation to Groundwork)


Team fees are shared by all players on a team. Fees will include all team expenses including coach fees, trainer fees, league registrations, team registration fees, referee fees, practice field rentals, indoor practice rental, tournaments, travel fees for coach, and other administrative/miscellaneous costs. Amounts will vary by team within specific age groups. Individual game and tournament travel expenses are borne by each family. All assessments will be invoiced/paid using Groundwork. All team fees will continue to be collected online using Groundwork. **You will receive an invitation from Groundwork to sign up for the 2020-2021 Team Account from your treasurer within the next few weeks.** Please wait until you receive this invitation to login to Groundwork.

- **Team Commitment Fee** - Upon acceptance of a position on a Travel/Pre-Academy team, a \$250 **non-refundable** commitment fee will be due to the team and is payable via Groundwork. Commitment fee will be applied to player's share of team fees.
- **If you were registered as a travel player in 2019-2020 and you have an excess funds credit, this will be applied first to your commitment fee and any remaining balance will be applied to future team fees.**
- **Player Assessments** - Assessments will be collected throughout the year as needed for team expenditures. **The first player assessment will be due on July 1st in the amount of \$200.**

- **No funds paid to Travel teams will be refunded**
- **If the Fall season is deferred or canceled**, all team fees paid including commitment fees will remain with the team in your player's name and will applied to team expenses for the remainder of the season.
- **Financial Aid-** Financial aid for team fees is available to qualified players. Please contact Sharon Finney at the SAC office at sharon@sachc.org to obtain financial aid applications.
 - Applicants are encouraged to apply early in the year to ensure availability of funds.
 - Club Membership Fees must be paid prior to receiving financial aid.
 - Parent must notify treasurer of application for financial aid and work with treasurer to create an appropriate payment schedule for payment of remaining team fees.

When you log in to Groundwork, you will be required to make a \$250 *non-refundable* commitment fee payment online (**if you did not have excess funds available from 2019-2020 or if you have not already paid a separate commitment fee**). You must agree to have your next assessment payment of \$200 processed through Groundwork automatically on 7/1/2020. Payment(s) may be made by either electronic check (no fee) or debit/credit card payment (with fee). Once the team's budget has been completed and approved, additional team fees will be scheduled through Groundwork. **You will need to confirm the acceptance of the additional fees for payment.**

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to the SAC office for guidance.

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