

Welcome to the 2023 Zimmerman High School Soccer Season!

We are hopeful that this letter will provide information and answer questions for all parents/guardians and the players to get a good start on the 2023 season.

WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA LINKS

All Zimmerman Soccer Club (ZSC) soccer experiences is managed by the non-profit booster club. We encourage everyone to check out our primary and secondary sources throughout the season.

- *Zimmerman Soccer Club:* [ZSC Website](#)
- *Remind App-* Download on Apple or Android Devices
- *Facebook:*
 - **BOYS:** [Boys Facebook Page](#)
 - **GIRLS:** [Girls Facebook Page](#)
- *Instagram:*
 - **BOYS:** @ZIMMERMAN_BOYS_SOCCER
 - **GIRLS:** @ZIMHSGIRLSSOCCER

FALL SPORTS MEETING

This is a very important meeting for both players and Parents/Guardians. This meeting is for all players thinking about or planning on playing middle/high school soccer. Practice jerseys will be handed out during this meeting.

- **LOCATION:** Zimmerman High School Auditorium
- **WHEN:** Wednesday August 9, 2023
 - **GIRLS:** 6:00-7:00 PM
 - **BOYS:** 7:30-8:30 PM

FUNDRAISING

Fundraising is a team bonding experience off the fields. Fundraising also allows the players to raise funds to contribute to a memorable soccer season. It is strongly encouraged that all players/families sign up and/or participate in the fundraising activities. Below are the 2023 events:

- **University of St. Thomas Bedloft* Frey Hall**
 - Tuesday, August 1 8:00 AM-3:00 PM
 - [University of St. Thomas Bedloft Sign Up](#)
- **Car Wash at Station 1 in Zimmerman*** *Get your vehicle washed by our soccer team!*
 - Saturday, August 5 9:30 AM-12:30 PM
 - [Car Wash Sign Up](#)
- **Thunder Nutrition:** *Come grab a tea or a shake to start off your day!*
 - Saturday, August 12 8:00 AM-2 PM
- **Zimmerman Bar and Grill (ZBG):** *All you can eat Spaghetti/Fettuccini Dinner!*
 - Monday, August 21 5:00-8:00 PM
 - [ZBG Fundraiser](#)
- **Fan Gear:** Provided by Pooky and Bell. *Teams get 10-12% of your Fan Gear sales*
 - [Pooky and Bell Fan Gear Fundraiser](#)
- **GotSneakers:** *Bring in your gently used tennis shoes or cleats (no metal)*
 - Parent meeting and at Thunder Nutrition on August 12

* Looking for volunteers for the following events: University of St. Thomas and Car Wash. Please sign up by clicking on the links.



SPONSORSHIPS

Any businesses that would like to sponsor the Zimmerman Soccer Club (ZSC), please contact any Booster Club Member or visit the Zimmerman Soccer Club-Sponsorship page at [ZSC Sponsorship Page](#)

THANK YOU to our 2023 SPONSORS!!

- Anoka Technical College
- Anoka Ramsey Community College
- Boreal FC
- Edward Jones-Financial Advisor- Nick McDonald
- JRD Masonry
- Miller Services
- Minnesota Utilities and Excavating (MU&E)
- Powerful Zen Massage
- Rosies Attic Room
- State Farm- Princeton; Agent Curt Van Oort
- Thirty-One Consultant; Chris Inman
- Thunder Nutrition

THANK YOU for the Donation!!

- Anonymous Donor
- American Legion Post 560 (Zimmerman)
- Elk River Lions
- Zimmerman Bar and Grill (ZBG)
- Zimmerman Community Club

FEE INFORMATION

There are two fees related to Zimmerman Middle/High School Soccer:

1. **ISD 728 Athletic and Activity Registration-** The fees are collected when the player signs up for soccer through the Parent Portal account. The fees cover the basic program needs provided by the school (coaches, fields, and equipment). Registration must be completed prior to the first day of practice which is August 14th. The Booster Club does not receive these fees. The fees are as follows:
 - a. **Grades 7-9** \$180.00
 - b. **Grades 10-12** \$230.00
2. **ZSC Booster Club-** These fees will help cover the 2023 operating expenses for both the boys' and girls' teams. More information about where the fee is noted below.
 - a. **BOYS** \$175.00 (both Junior Varsity (JV) and Varsity)
No middle school teams for boys
 - b. **GIRLS** \$175.00 (both Junior Varsity (JV) and Varsity)
* \$50.00 (middle school team) *

*If the middle school player makes the JV team, you will be contacted to collect the additional \$125.00 *

Booster Club fees will be collected at the Player/Parent meeting on **Wednesday August 9th**. Checks payable to the "**Zimmerman Soccer Club**" or can be done via Venmo **@ZimmermanSoccerClub**

These fees, along with the fundraising, cover all other needs for a great soccer experience.



WHAT DOES MY ZSC BOOSTER FEE PAY FOR?

(EXPENSES)

- **APPAREL** – Practice jerseys (3 jerseys per player) and coaches sideline apparel. Goalies' uniform/gloves up to \$50.00 and ZSC logo on shirt up to \$10.00.
- **EQUIPMENT** – Anything outside of what the district provides including 50 parkas for Boys & Girls varsity teams. Parkas are property of ZSC and will used year after year.
- **OPERATING COSTS**- Banquets, Website, PO Box, Team Pictures, Senior Pictures Banners, Programs, Handout, Small Projects, Coach & Trainer Fees if applicable, Trophies, Gifts, "Goodie Bags" for Shaggers, Banking Fees, etc.
- **FOOD** – Pasta feeds (five per team) up to \$100.00 per meal, away game bus snacks, and players' banquet.
- **TRAVEL** – Coach bus and hotel for out-of-town tournaments, scrimmages, etc.

HOW DOES ZSC COLLECT ENOUGH FUNDS TO COVER OPERATING EXPENSES?

(INCOME)

- Booster Club Fee
- Fundraising
- Private and Corporate Donations
- Sponsorships

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**Q:** If my child doesn't make one of the teams will my Booster fee be refunded?**A:** If your child does not, your fee will be refunded.**Q:** Are Booster fees per player or per family?**A:** The Booster Club fee is \$175 per player.Zimmerman Soccer Club
@Zimmermansoccerclub**venmo****BSN SPORTS APPAREL (WARM-UPS and FAN GEAR APPAREL)**

Each year, team apparel is made available for ordering and will be online only through BSN. Typically, the online store is open twice a year, May and again in July. Watch for updates that will be posted (see page 1). Players are not required to order team or fan apparel. However, it does get cold later in the season and the team should have the same warm-up apparel. There are **NO** refunds or returns on apparel orders.

PASTA FEEDS

Pasta makes an excellent meal for athletes. Team bonding can help to build trust and improve communication. Team bonding can also lead to creativity, productivity, and boosts team morale. Each team (Boys and Girls) will have up to five pasta feeds during the season. Coaches pick the dates. Depending on season, a pasta feed may become available during sections. The Zimmerman Soccer Club is looking for families to host a pasta feed. Host will receive a \$100.00 check from Booster Club and host will need to distribute funds to co-hosts. To sign up for a dinner, click on the links below. Contact Lisa Sailor if you have any questions.

PASTA FEED DATES

- **BOYS**- [Boys Sign up for Pasta Feeds](#)
 - August 23
 - September 7, 13, and 17
 - October 4
- **GIRLS**- [Girls Sign up for Pasta Feeds](#)
 - August 23 and 29
 - September 6 and 20
 - October 4



SAVE THE DATES

The Zimmerman Soccer Club website ([ZSC Website](#)), the *Remind* App and social media (Facebook and Instagram) will be your resources for any upcoming dates/events. Families are responsible for checking on a regular basis as dates and times are always subject to change.

SUMMER SOCCER PRACTICE OPPORTUNITIES

These opportunities are optional yet strongly encouraged (not required).

- **Summer Soccer-** Refer to the Zimmerman Soccer Club Website for details and updates for the 2024 season.
- **Strength & Speed-** This is offered by ISD 728 to all middle and high school student athletes. This program is during the summer months for additional conditioning. Monday-Thursday mornings.
- **Captain's Practices-** Open to all players. Great way to meet players and get some touches before tryouts.
 - **BOYS:**
 - **LOCATION:** Zimmerman High School fields
 - **WHEN:**
 - **Week of July 31:** Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 9:00-10:30 AM
 - **Week of August 7-** TBD- Watch for updates
 - **GIRLS:**
 - **LOCATION:** Zimmerman High School fields
 - **WHEN:** Tuesdays and Thursdays starting July 25 9:00 AM-10:30 AM

THE SEASON

The official start of the 2023 soccer season starts on August 14th with tryouts.

- **Tryouts-**
 - **BOYS:**
 - **LOCATION:** Zimmerman High School fields
 - **WHEN:** August 14-18 10 AM- 3 PM
 - **GIRLS:**
 - **LOCATION:** Zimmerman High School fields
 - **WHEN:** August 14-18; 8:00 AM-2:00 PM – These times could change
- **Pictures-** Team and individual pictures.
 - **BOYS:**
 - **LOCATION:** Zimmerman High School fields
 - **WHEN:** August 21st beginning at 2:30pm
 - **GIRLS:**
 - **LOCATION:** Zimmerman High School fields
 - **WHEN:** August 21st beginning at 2:30pm
- **Banquet-TBD.** Watch for updates on the Zimmerman Soccer Club website.

BALL SHAGGERS

Every home Varsity game must have “ball shaggers”. Ball shaggers will retrieve any balls that are kicked out of balls and be ready to provide a ball to a player. Coaches have asked to have 8 shaggers at each game.

Shaggers can be elementary school age kids to adults. To volunteer to be a ball shagger, please click on link.

- **BOYS:** [Boys Home Games Ball Shaggers](#)
- **GIRLS:** [Girls Home Games Ball Shaggers](#)



DULUTH TRIP FOR VARISTY AND JUNIOR VARSITY GIRLS:

The girls will be staying at a hotel with the coaches in Duluth. Coaches have asked that parents do not stay in the same hotel as team. We have a book of rooms (20 rooms) reserved at the *AmericanInn by Wyndham Duluth (901 Joshua Avenue)*. Booster Club is not responsible for parents' costs to Duluth. To reserve your room, contact 218-723-8607. Rooms are under Zimmerman Soccer Parents. Parents must book room by **Thursday, August 3rd** to get room rate of 189.00+tax. After this date, the block will be released, and price will not be granted.

PARENT/PLAYER TO-DO LIST

- ___ Check out [ZSC Website](#) and any social media pages (if applicable)
- ___ Complete Sports Physical (due every 3 years). **This must be completed and on file with the Activities Office of Zimmerman Middle/High School before a player can step on the field for tryouts.** There is **NO** exception to this rule.
- ___ Complete the ISD 728 online registration before tryouts. There is **NO** exception to this rule.
- ___ Attend the Fall Parent Meeting on August 9th (see page 1)
- ___ Pay the booster club fee (see page 2)
- ___ Check out the Fan Gear (see page 1)
- ___ Spread the word to those that may be interested in playing soccer this fall!

ZSC BOOSTER CLUB OVERVIEW

This organization is organized and shall be operated exclusively for charitable and educational purposes as specified in Section 501 (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The Zimmerman Booster Club is non-profit and is ran by parent volunteers. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to reach out to one of the board members.

Join our team! Several positions will be open for the 2024 season. Applications can be found at [ZSC Booster Club](#)

The Booster Club meets the first Sunday evening of every month, however meeting dates and times are subject to change. Our schedule and the meeting minutes can be found on the Zimmerman Soccer Club website under Booster Info.

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THANK YOU!

The Zimmerman Soccer Booster Club would like to thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to a great 2023 soccer season! **Go THUNDER!**

