

Burnaby Girls SC U13 Intake (2010) Parent Information – 2022/2023 Season

- The purpose of our U13 Intake parent meeting is to present the U13 soccer landscape and to discuss the various options available to players.
- From U11-U12 soccer was played within Clubs on either Division 1 or 2 teams (“Select”) or Division 3 (“House”) level teams. Beginning in U13 soccer divides into different leagues:
 - BC Coastal League (BCCSL) Div 1, Div 2, Div. 3
 - BC Soccer Premier League (BCSPL)

1) BC Coastal League – Burnaby Girls SC Div. 1/Div. 2/Div. 3

- BGSC currently runs teams in the BC Coastal League (BCCSL) in Divisions 1, 2 and 3 from U13 through U18. Players are no longer classified as “Select” or “House” teams as they were in U11 and U12.
[BC Coastal Soccer League](#)
- Teams are formed in March and April and all teams must be submitted to the District in mid-June to be included for league play that begins in September.

2) Burnaby Girls SC Player Evaluations for BNWS U13 teams

- In 2021 Burnaby Girls SC entered a partnership with New Westminster SC to create combined BGSC/NWSC teams to compete in the U13 through U15 age groups.
- Girls from both Clubs, as well as other Clubs, are invited to participate in the evaluation process as U13 age (2010) teams are formed at Div 1, Div 2 and Div 3 levels.
- This partnership allows both Clubs to be able offer all players an opportunity to compete on a team that plays at an appropriate level with full rosters rather than scrambling to fill teams and moving girls up or down from the level they should be competing at.
- Division 1 teams that participate in the BCCSL at the U13 (2010) as well as U14 (2009) age groups will have a paid coach as well as additional team items such as tracksuits and backpacks provided. Team fee for these teams is significantly higher than that of regular Divisional team registration.
- In February 2022 we will begin the player evaluation process for our current U12 players (2010 born) moving into U13.
- Players who want to play at the Division 3 level for the 2022/2023 season are not required to attend any evaluations. These players simply need to register in early March and will be placed



on the U13 Division 3 team. Returning players at both BGSC and NWSC will be given first option to claim available spots on the Division 3 team. New players will be added after May 1st.

- It is recognized that the identification process can be extremely stressful for young players. This is particularly true if player identification is done through a traditional “tryout”, which provides a relatively limited opportunity to demonstrate the ability to play in an unfamiliar and high stress environment. In addition to being stressful on young players, tryouts are also not the most effective way to evaluate players. Evaluating players on an ongoing basis over an extended period, preferably in an environment in which they are comfortable, is a better approach in terms of the effectiveness of the evaluation and in limiting the amount of stress on young players. To that end current U12 players will be viewed at their league games, practices as well as Academy sessions throughout February.

U13 Intake (2010) Evaluation Sessions

Players wanting to be considered for the U13 Division 1 and 2 teams will need to pre-register for the final evaluation sessions that will take place in early March.

U13 Intake Dates:

1. **Sunday March 6th** – 10-11:30am – Queens Park Turf, New Westminster
 - (This session to be followed by a game between University of Fraser Valley vs Douglas College Women’s Soccer teams at 12 noon at Queen’s Park Turf that players can stay to view)
2. **Friday March 11th** – 6-8pm – Burnaby Central HS Turf

- There is no cost for these sessions, but we will be asking players to pre-register on the Burnaby Girls SC website or New Westminster SC website.
- Goalies will be evaluated during regular evaluations. Players can indicate on the evaluation registration form that they are wanting to be a full or part time goalkeeper.
- Typically, players will be offered a roster spot within 24-48 hours after the last evaluation session. Players must accept the spot by registering and paying online within 48 hours of the invitation to keep their spot.
- Coach Selection Committee will gather applications and complete a coach selection process if there is more than one candidate. This process can involve coaching interviews, usually by phone if necessary. A player must make the team before the coach does (not just because their parent is a coach).
- Player commitment expectations
 - At Coaches discretion, but typically two practice sessions per week and one game.
 - No problems with players participating in other sports, but commitment to soccer and expectations will be set by coach.

3) BCSPL

- The BC Soccer Premier League runs teams from U13 to U18 and is the highest tier of competitive soccer in BC. [BC Soccer Premier League \(bcspl.ca\)](http://bcspl.ca)
- For the 2022 Intake year there will be 12 BCSPL teams in U13, 10 of which are in the lower mainland. Burnaby Girls SC is a partner club of Mountain United FC.
- MUFC has been running a Partner Club Academy on Sundays throughout the season for 2010 age players identified by partner clubs and run by MUFC Coaches. As emailed out to all BGSC U12 players in the Fall, MUFC will be using this Academy to select their U13 Intake teams for 2022 Intake. No open evaluations will be held.
- Players may register to be evaluated for any other BCSPL team, not limited to own region. This can be done directly through the websites of the other BCSPL teams such as CMF, Vancouver Fusion etc...
- This is the link to the BCSPL page with further information and FAQ's on the BCSPL evaluation process posted in Nov 2021.
[BC+Soccer+-+Premier+League+-+U13+\(2010\)+Evaluation+and+Selection+\(Final\).pdf \(squarespace.com\)](https://squarespace.com/BC+Soccer+-+Premier+League+-+U13+(2010)+Evaluation+and+Selection+(Final).pdf)

4) The changes at the U13 Game

- 11 aside/Full Field
- Larger rosters – typically 16 and up to max. of 18 players
- Full size ball (size 5)



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