

5. What is "Elite"?
 - Elite is a platform FIERCE introduced for TY24-25 to spur on development for players that desire to play at the NL level. Elite players have access to FIERCE's top-level coaches, elite training sessions, and additional competition opportunities compared to Navy and Select teams.
 - The vision for the Elite program is to compete in [State Classic League \(SCL\)](#) - a multi-district state league that allows teams to compete across South Texas. As a new platform, our Elite teams will have to go through STYSA's Request for Consideration (RFC) process to determine what level they will compete in.
6. What are the differences between the Grey, Navy, and Elite teams?
 - Grey: a Select platform that trains 2x per week and competes in CAYSA.
 - Navy: a Select platform that trains 3x per week and competes in WDDOA.
 - Elite: a Select platform that trains 3x per week with FIERCE's top-level staff and competes in WDDOA or SCL.
7. What training facilities does FIERCE use?
 - Round Rock Sports Center (Indoor): 2400 Chisholm Trail Rd, Round Rock, TX 78681
 - LISD Fields: Bible Stadium, Ranger Stadium, Rouse HS, Vista Ridge HS
 - McNeil High School: 5720 McNeil Dr, Austin, TX 78729
8. How often do Select and Elite teams train?
 - Grey teams train 2x per week - one session is indoor, and the other session is outdoor.
 - Navy and Elite teams train 3x per week - one session is indoor, and the other two sessions are outdoor.
9. Does FIERCE have goalkeeper training?
 - Currently, FIERCE offers once a week goalkeeper training sessions with high-level staff that serve as members of the Olympic Development Program (ODP).
 - In addition to weekly training, goalies at FIERCE receive a free keeper kit and seasonal glove stipend.
10. Can parents observe training?
 - Parents are encouraged to observe so they can meet other parents, players, and see the top level instruction FIERCE provides. We only request that parents stay off the pitch/floor and do not interrupt the training.
11. When does the season run?
 - FIERCE season: year-round training
 - CAYSA [Grey teams]: September - November, February - April
 - WDDOA [Navy and Elite]: September - November, January-March
 - STYSA [Elite]: September - November with playoff events in December and Spring/Summer
12. When are Select and Elite games?
 - Games fall on Saturdays and Sundays.
 - FIERCE attempts to schedule most matches on Saturday, but field availability and other factors may require play on Sunday. FIERCE respects player and family decisions on this matter.
13. How many tournaments do Select & Elite teams play in?
 - Select and Elite teams will compete in 2-3 tournaments throughout the year-long season.
 - Typically, tournaments will take place at the beginning of Fall, during winter, and after the Spring season concludes.

14. How much does FIERCE cost?

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Platform	Commitment Fee		Option 1 Full Balance Aug 15	Option 2 Payment Plan Aug 15, Nov 1, Feb 1	Option 3 Payment Plan Jul 1→Feb 1
Academy	\$250		\$725	\$260 x 3	\$100 x 8
Grey	\$300	+	\$1350	\$470 x 3	\$180 x 8
Navy & Pre-NL	\$300		\$1700	\$585 x 3	\$225 x 8
Elite	\$300		\$1900	\$650 x 3	\$250 x 8
National	\$300		\$2050	\$700 x 3	\$270 x 8

15. Does FIERCE offer scholarships?

- FIERCE partners with a third party system (Independent School Management) to provide an unbiased method of administering need-based financial aid to our players. For financial aid questions, please contact FinancialAid@fierceunited.com.

16. How does the onboarding process work?

- In order to try out with FIERCE, your player must [register in PlayMetrics](#).
- If FIERCE is a good fit, an offer letter will be sent to your player through PlayMetrics.
- To complete registration with the league, your player must also register in GotSport.
- Upon completion of these items, our staff will begin the remainder of the onboarding process, including sending your player their personalized uniform order link.
- From that point forward, all invoices and communication will come through PlayMetrics.

17. Are players allowed to play up in age groups?

- If our professional staff deems a player capable of handling the challenge, it is possible for them to play up an age group.

18. Are there volunteer hours required for families?

- FIERCE does not require volunteer hours for families, but we do have opportunities for parents to volunteer as Team Managers or supporting FIERCE events like the annual FIERCE Cup fundraiser.

19. What is futsal?

- Futsal is indoor soccer played on a hard surface in a small space without using walls. This type of soccer allows players to get many more touches on the ball in the same amount of training time and teaches them to increase their speed of play and situational awareness.

20. What if my child decides this is not for them?

- We work very hard to ensure that there is a good fit before a formal invitation to join the club goes out. However, if circumstances change we will release the player and stop charges (less certain non refundable expenses). This is just another way FIERCE is different.