



Soccer Event

PLANNING GUIDE



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A global soccer theme isn't just about playing games, it's about creating connections.

It's students learning about new cultures while cheering on their teammates. It's building confidence through movement, creativity, and collaboration. And it's transforming a simple event into something students will remember long after the final whistle.

With the right mix of activities and ready-to-use resources, your school can turn global soccer excitement into a meaningful, high-energy experience that inspires every student on and off the field.

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A soccer-themed event is more than just playing games. It's an opportunity to build teamwork, encourage physical activity, and celebrate global culture. Programs can use this event to engage kids of all skill levels through a mix of sports, creativity, and collaboration.

Active & Skill-Based Soccer Activities

Mini "World Championship" Tournament

Bring the excitement of international competition to your program by organizing a small-sided tournament. Assign teams different countries, create a simple bracket, and let the games begin.

Short matches keep energy high while giving every team a chance to compete and advance. Add an opening ceremony or team introductions to elevate the experience even further.

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Soccer Skill Stations

Transform your field or gym into a dynamic training ground with rotating skill stations. Set up areas focused on dribbling, passing, agility, and footwork so students can build confidence while staying active.

This format works especially well for mixed skill levels where students can progress at their own pace while still feeling challenged and engaged.

Accuracy & Target Challenges

Not every student loves competitive games but almost everyone enjoys a good challenge. Create shooting stations where students aim for targets, score points, or complete fun trick-shot tasks.

These activities are perfect for building confidence and encouraging participation across all ability levels.

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Fun Soccer Variations

- Foot Golf – Combine soccer and golf for a fun, strategic twist
- Small-Sided Games – Encourage teamwork and more ball touches
- Creative Rule Play – Try no-goalie rounds or partner play formats



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Cultural & Educational Tie-Ins

One of soccer's greatest strengths is its ability to connect people across cultures. Use that to your advantage by weaving global learning into your event planning.

Country Spotlight Projects

Assign each group a country participating in global soccer competitions. Make it fun and educational by letting students explore:

- National flags and symbols
- Languages and traditions
- Popular foods
- Landmarks and geography
- Famous players and teams

Presentations can take the form of flags or posters for display, mini exhibits, or even short performances, turning your hallways into a celebration of global diversity.

Soccer Trivia & Interactive Games

Reinforce learning with trivia, bingo, or quiz-style competitions focused on world geography, soccer history, and fun facts. Hand out fun soccer themed prizes.

This is a great way to balance physical activity with classroom engagement and it keeps students thinking while they play.

Explore the Host Country

Take things a step further by highlighting the current host country. Dedicate a day to exploring its culture through music, art, traditions, and geography.

This adds depth to your event and helps students understand the global significance behind the celebration.



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Creative & Team-Building Activities

Team Identity & Spirit Building

Before the games begin, give teams time to build their identity. Students can design:

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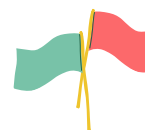


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[Team Pride Pennants Craft Kit](#)

- Team banners
- Pennants and flags
- Chants and cheers
- Mascots and colors



This not only builds excitement but also strengthens teamwork and school spirit.

International Scavenger Hunt

Turn your location into a global adventure. Hide clues related to countries, soccer facts, or cultural elements and have teams work together to solve them.

This activity encourages problem-solving, movement, and collaboration, all while reinforcing learning.

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Soccer-Inspired Creative Stations

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Balance high-energy play with hands-on creativity. Set up craft stations where students can design keepsakes inspired by the sport.

These quieter moments are perfect for recharging while still staying engaged in the theme.

Plan-Your-Own Tournament (Perfect for Older Students)

Give older students ownership of the experience by letting them design their own mini tournament. They can plan:

- Game schedules
- Field layouts
- Team assignments
- Budgeting (with [play money](#))
- Awards and ceremonies

This activity builds leadership, organization, and real-world problem-solving skills while still being fun and collaborative.



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Supplies Shopping Guide

Core PE Supplies

- [Pinnies](#)
- [Whistles](#)
- [Stopwatches](#)
- [Dome Cones](#)
- [Flexible Cones](#)

Arts & Crafts

- [Markers](#)
- [Crayons](#)
- [Colored Pencils](#)
- [Paper](#)
- [Color-Me™ Paddle Fans \(Pack of 24\)](#)
- [Ceramic Bisque Soccer Ball Banks](#)
- [Sand Art Boards Craft Kit](#)
- [Soccer Beads](#)

Soccer Equipment

- [Soccer Balls](#)
- [Mini Pop-Up Goals \(Set of 2\)](#)
- [Spectrum™ Large All-Purpose Goal](#)

Soccer Variations

- [Foot Golf™ Kids Easy Pack](#)

Flags, Banners, Decors

- [Felt Banner Assortment](#)
- [USA Flags](#)
- [International Decorating Kit](#)
- [Color Me™ Banner, 3' x 10'](#)
- [Award Medals & Ribbons](#)

Soccer Program Exclusive

Skillastics® Partnership

We're also excited to partner with Skillastics® to offer exclusive access to 10 days of high-quality soccer lesson plans!

Each lesson plan includes approximately four engaging activities designed to help participants build soccer skills, learn the fundamentals of the game, and stay active while having fun.

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Staffing & Supervision

- Assign station leaders
- Ensure proper student-to-staff ratios
- Brief staff on schedule and expectations
- Prepare quick instruction sheets per station



Post Event Reminders

- Collect equipment and supplies
- Gather staff feedback
- Celebrate highlights (photos, announcements, social posts)
- Note improvements for next year



Incentives, Tokens & Recognition

A strong closing moment brings the team together, celebrating effort, spirit, and teamwork beyond the score.



Day-Of Logistics

- Set up all stations before start time
- Test equipment and layout
- Prepare water stations / breaks
- Have first aid kit available
- Announce rotation times clearly



Backup & Flexibility Plan

- Indoor activity alternatives ready
- Extra simple games on hand
- Adjust schedule if needed

Awards

- Team Spirit
- Best Collaboration
- Most Creative Team
- Skill Challenge Winners



Product Highlight



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STEM Sports® All-Star Soccer Kit for Individual Kids

Grades 3 - 5

The STEM Sports® All-Star Soccer Kit brings science to life on the field for students in Grades 3–5. Designed by the leaders in STEM sports education, it pairs real soccer play with hands-on concepts like heart rate and calories burned—making it perfect for keeping kids active and learning during any school break.

Each kit includes a soccer ball, six half cones, a stopwatch, a heart rate monitor, and a curriculum manual. A Grade 6–8 version is also available.



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