

3 Things All **Successful Youth Programs Have in** Common

> Webinar March 2013



Before we begin

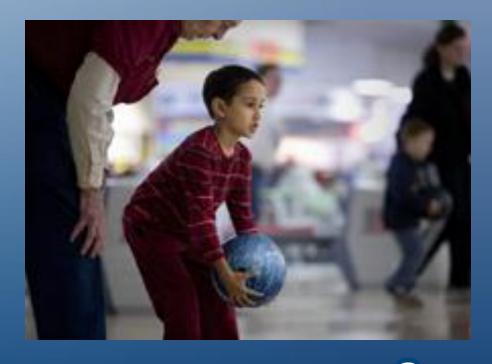
- First Tuesday of each Month 1:00 PM CST
- Next webinar: April 2, 1:00 PM CST
 - Getting Your Flyers Into The Schools.
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Agenda

- Learning about the youth of today
- Review "The Three Things"
- Explore other center's successes
- Questions







Youth of Today

- Understanding our customer
 - Who are they?
 - What do they want?
 - When do they want it?
- Improving their center experience
 - Providing options





Youth of Today

- An estimated 50 million children, ages 6-18, participate in at least one organized sport regularly.
- Less than 200,000 bowl in certified play (<1%)





Bowling vs. Other Sports

- What bowling offers
- No one sits on the bench
- Good for kids of all abilities
- Scholarships
- Affordable

- What other sports offer
- Team-based
- Age divisions
- Small player to coach ratio
- Short season





The Three Things

- 1. A System
- 2. Marketing
- 3. Coaches





A System

- Webster's definition
- Youth bowling's definition of a system
 - A natural progression
- It's all about providing options





18 - 20

16 YEARS OLD

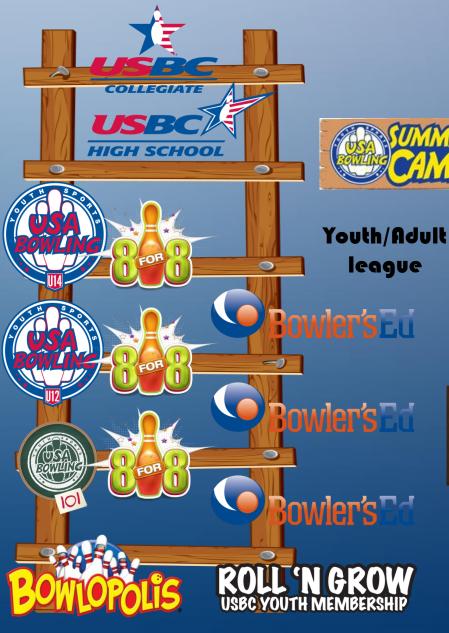
14 YEARS OLD

12 YEARS OLD

10 YEARS OLD

8 AND UNDER

YOUTH LADDER















Think about it...

 How many of these programs do you offer in your center(s)?????





Marketing

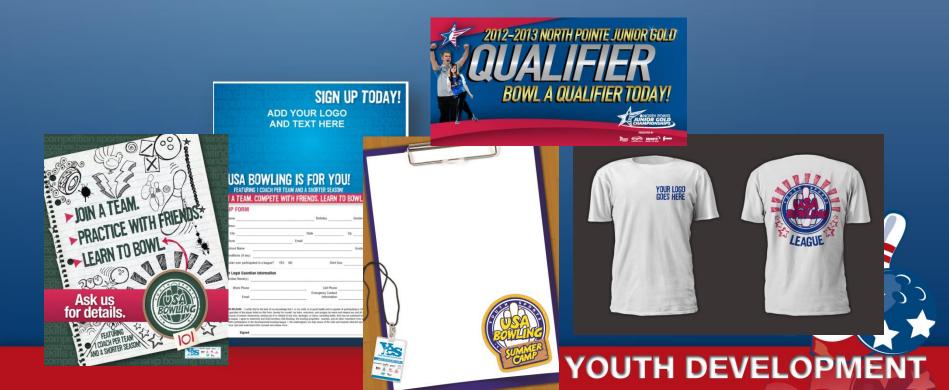
- In center
 - Monitors, posters, table tents, banners, blast offs, flyers
- Outside the four walls
 - Flyers in schools, churches, day cares, community outreach events, mailers
- E-marketing
 - Website
 - Social Media
 - E-mail





Youth Resource Center

- www.bpaa.com/youthresourcecenter
 - Password: youth
 - Youth Development Guide coming soon!





Coaches

- Simply said...
 - You HAVE to have them
 - Coaching = retention
 - Twist some arms
 - Parents, area high school/collegiate players graduating youth bowlers, league bowlers, center staff
- USA Bowling Coaching program
 - Volunteer coaches training
 - www.bowl.com/usabowlingcoaching





Examples

West Acres Bowl & Rab's Country Lanes



West Acres Bowl

- GM Ray Baty
- Wichita, Kansas
- 36 Lanes
- 497 Certified Youth in 2011-2012 season
- 13.8 per lane = no. 1 in U.S.





West Acres Bowl

The System

Current League Schedule

When	Ages	Name	Length	Coaches
Monday PM	Youth/Adult	Youth/Adult Pizza	12 weeks	No
Tuesday PM	3-6, 7+	After School league	16 weeks	Yes
Tuesday PM	Min. 175 Average	Uphill Battle Scholarship	12 weeks	Yes
Thursday PM	New Bowlers	8 for 8 league	8 weeks	Yes
Saturday AM	3-5, 6-8, 9-11, 12+	Saturday AM Juniors	16+16 weeks	Yes
Saturday PM	New Bowlers	8 for 8 league	8 weeks	Yes
Sunday PM	8-14	USA Bowling	8 weeks	Yes



West Acres Bowl

- Marketing
 - Flyers in the Schools no. 1
 - In center propaganda
 - Customer service greeters
 - E-blast
 - Mailers
 - Website/Social Media





Rab's Country Lanes

- Proprietor, Frank Wilkinson
- Staten Island, New York
- 48 Lanes
- 570 certified youth 2011-2012 season





Rab's Country Lanes

The System

When	Ages	Name	Length	Coaches
Tuesday PM	Open, advanced	Team USA Experience – no commitment	12 weeks, Spring	Yes
Tuesday PM	5-20	Battle of the Schools	8 weeks, Spring	Yes
Wednesday PM	U5	8 for 8 league	8 weeks Spring & Summer Sessions	Yes
Wednesday PM	New Bowlers	USA Bowling 101	10 weeks Spring & Summer Sessions	Yes
Wednesday PM	8-12	USA Bowling	10 weeks Spring & Summer Sessions	Yes
Wednesday PM or Friday PM	U14	Spring Youth Bowling Club	8 weeks, Summer	Yes
Friday PM	5 divisions	Country Pro Shop Juniors	8 weeks, Summer	Yes
Saturday AM	U20	Junior Scholarship Doubles	16 weeks, Spring-Summer	Yes
Saturday PM	U20	SI USBC Youth Leaders Triplets	12 weeks	Yes

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT



- In-center propaganda
- Social media
- E-blast
- Community outreach events
- Blast offs





ALL YOUTH BOWLING PROGRAMS INCLUDE:

On-Lane Instruction • Awards & Recognition for All! End-of-Season Party • T-Shirt or Jersey

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RAB'S 8 FOR 8 HAVE-A-BALL CLUB

Everyone gets their own bowling ball! Bumpers available

2 games per week 8 weeks - \$8 per week \$25 registration fee On-Going Registration





April 17th on Wednesday afternoons at 4pm





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USA BOWLING

Teams of 4 - One coach per team Practice sessions

10 weeks \$140 Registration fee All inclusive



SPRING SESSION START: April 3rd on Wednesday afternoons at 4pm

SUMMER SESSION START: July 2nd on Tuesday afternoons at 4pm

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BATTLE OF THE SCHOOLS

After School Program Get a Team together from your school/parish, or mix-up your friends and represent different schools

8 weeks. \$25.00 Registration Fee \$10.00 per week

Program starts April 9th Tuesday Afternoons at 4:00pm



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USA BOWLING 101

Learn the fundamentals of bowling in a non-competitive environment that's dedicated to skill development. Bumpers available

2 games per week · 10 weeks \$120 Registration fee All inclusive







July 2nd on Tuesday afternoons at 4pm



RAB'S IS A SAFE PLACE TO HAVE FUN! WE ARE COMMITTED TO PROVIDING A SAFE **ENVIRONMENT FOR ALL OF OUR YOUTH BOWLERS!**

Through the USBC Registered Volunteer Program, we ensure that only qualified adults work with your Youth Bowler.





SPRING PROGRAMS

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SPRING YOUTH BOWLING CLUB

Spring Youth Bowling Club Saturday Mornings 11:00am

8 weeks of bowling · Price per week: \$10 \$25.00 Registration Fee Program Starts April 27th

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JUNIOR SCHOLARSHIP DOUBLES

Saturday Mornings at 9:30am Scholarship awards for all!

Two bowlers per team · 3 games per week 18 weeks • 2 Divisions based on Average Scratch Competition

\$275 one-time program fee, if paid prior to June 1st

APRIL TO SEPTEMBER

Team USA EXPERIENCE

Tuesday Afternoons at 4:00pm No Commitment Necessary Weekly Tournament Style Competition Compete on the same conditions as Team USA! Price per week: \$15

MARCH TO MAY

Summer Programs

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COUNTRY PRO SHOP SUMMER JUNIORS

Bumpers Available . Fun Theme Weeks Weekly Awards · Scholarships Available 5 Divisions • Bowlers placed by age and average

Wednesday Afternoons at 1:00pm or Friday Afternoons at 4:00pm **On-Going Registration**

Wednesday program starts July 3rd Friday program starts June 28th **JULY TO AUGUST**

SIUSBC YOUTH LEADERS TRIPLES

Friday Evenings at 6:30pm Scholarship awards for all!

3 bowlers per team - 12 weeks Price per week: \$14 \$30.00 Registration Fee Program Starts June 7th JUNE TO AUGUST

Did You Know?



Rab's has one of the Largest **Youth Bowling Programs** in the United States!



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Junior Scholarship Doubles Program!



High Five for USBC Youth bowlers | Bowl.com www.bowl.com

High Five recognizes the accomplishments of USBC Youth bowlers. Clickherefor the form to submit a USBC Youth bowler for the High Five section. Julia Tucker (left), 6, of Marietta, Ohio, bowled her high game of 169 during the

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Questions?

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