**2023 NWSC Rec Soccer League - Parent Information Page**

***Location:*** This year, all age groups will be at Wellfield Park (100 Northside Blvd). Inside the entrance of the turf field, there will be restrooms and the city will have a concession stand open.

***League Director:***

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***Schedule Information:***

* Games and practices will be held on Tuesday and Thursday nights.
* Please note that the practices on the schedule are subject to change by your coach. If your coach changes anything, she or he will contact you to let you know.
* Other Important Dates:
	+ June 20 – Season Starts
	+ June 24 – Pictures at Wellfield Park (Turf Field)
	+ Aug. 3 – Season Ends
	+ Aug 5 – Finals for U12 Tournament

***Rained Out***

* This program will be used to quickly alert you, via text, when a game/practice has been cancelled due to weather (or other urgent information).
* *Rained Out is no longer a free service.* NWSC will gladly pay the fees for the messages we send out, but ask that you limit the number of devices that are signed up in order to keep our costs down.
* You must sign up every year.
* To register for Rained Out, text “**NorthwoodSoccer**” to 84483.

***Code of Conduct***

* Our goal is to foster good attitudes among and between players, coaches, parents, referees (and everyone else). Please remember that all coaches, referees, and staff are volunteers that donate their time and energy to make this league possible. With so many young players watching, let’s be good examples for our kids.
* If a concern or situation does arise, don’t hesitate to reach out to your coach or league director.

***Basic Rules for Playing***

* All players must wear shin guards with socks that completely cover the outside of the shin guard.
* Soccer cleats are not required. If you choose to wear cleats, please do not wear cleats that have a center front cleat (like on football cleats). These are not allowed for use in soccer.
* Players may not wear any jewelry or watches during practices or games (eye glasses are OK)
* No player may participate while wearing a cast (even if your doctor says it’s OK)
* New soccer safety guidelines recommend no heading of the ball for players under 12. Therefore, no heading is allowed in any of our age divisions.

***Pictures***

* A picture order form is attached to this email, coaches will also have paper copies.
* Please turn them in to your coaches during the first week of practice, even if you paid online. Forms will also be accepted the morning of pictures, if necessary.

***Cleat Program:***

* ***New for this year:*** Soccer cleats should last for a while and kids’ feet grow quickly. If you have cleats from a previous year that no longer fit your child, consider donating them to NWSC. We will accept clean, lightly used soccer cleats and will sell them to other rec league players that need them for $5. Hopefully, this will start a cycle that will eventually lower the cost of playing rec league. All proceeds will be donated back to the community.

***Parking-***

* As rec league grows, finding ways to manage our space is an ongoing struggle. Please help us cooperate with the city by following a few parking/traffic guidelines:
	+ As you enter the complex, turn right. All traffic should enter near the building and exit around the south side of the field.
* Where we **CAN** park:
	+ Anywhere in the parking lot or north of the high school field.
	+ There are parallel parking spots around the high school field, but on the south and west sides, we will park PERPENDICULAR to the drive, one car deep, and on both sides.
* Please **DON’T** park:
	+ In the drainage ditches on the east side of the high school field.
	+ On the newly planted grass to the west of the parking lot
	+ In between the pumphouses (we will park one car deep along the drive.

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