

2025 Youth Soccer – Kewanee Park District

Hello Coaches,

We are excited for this year's season to get started. As many of you know, our numbers went up this year, which is great news! We have increased number of teams this year and for that reason, many of you stepped up to coach. Thank you all for that!

Our On-Field directors this year will be, Jesus Bermudez (309.883.3708) and Elijah Bermudez (309.716.4190). If there were to be any issues or questions during the season, please get ahold of one of them.

Please revise the roster and make sure your child is on your team. We will NOT make any changes to rosters, UNLESS it's a mistake on our end, shirts have already been ordered. If there were to be any changes, we will notify the involved teams.

- It is highly recommended that coaches get ahold of parents as soon as possible. Introducing yourselves, letting them know of practice schedule and snacks is something parents will ask.
- I will attach a copy of slots for parents to sign up for snacks, you can use that, or use your own.
- As you get ahold of your parents, please ask for volunteers. Even if your team has two or three coaches, training other parents for next year would also be great help!
- Coaches will cancel their own practices. Directors and park district office are only responsible for canceling games in case of weather.
- I will text the coaches group chats in case of important information or cancellations. Please do not respond or react to that group chat, that way we don't have 20 notifications coming in.

We have ordered more soccer balls. Our goal is to have 1 ball per two players. Please take care of equipment and turn it back in at the end of the season. We will notify all coaches when equipment is ready to be picked up. We will hand out soccer balls, pinnies to be used as goalie shirts, and a few cones for practices. Our goal is to have equipment out before your first practices.

Shirts have been ordered and will be ready to be picked up before the first game.

We have also attached the soccer rules. If we feel the need to change something during the season, we will let all coaches know.

If you want to change a practice because you could be busy, look at the practice

schedule and see what's available and let us know as soon as possible.

Now, I know many of us get competitive, but let's try to make it fun for kids. Let's give a chance and encourage kids to try all the positions and have a **rotation**. Let's try to be fair with kids by putting them in about the same amount of play time. I usually don't have a problem with this, but I always "throw it out there."

I hope I have answered most of the questions you all might have.

Again, thank you and welcome to the 2025 Soccer Park League. Let's have fun

Thank you,

Alex Bermudez,