

Grand Island 2011 U-7 Micro Soccer

Dear Parents or Guardians:

Thank you for registering for the U7 Micro Soccer Program and allowing us the opportunity to teach the wonderful game of soccer to your child. The program is designed to teach the game of soccer by focusing on having fun while developing individual skills. Through a combination of developmentally appropriate activities and small-sided soccer games, your child will develop the confidence and skills needed to play the game.

Program Schedule:

Saturday Micro Soccer Sessions will start promptly at 9:00 AM and conclude no later than 10:00 AM. The three Thursday evening sessions will start at 6:30PM and end by 7:30 PM. It is important to arrive on time since the sessions are only 1 hour in duration. The following is the complete schedule for this season:

Saturday, June 25th

***Thursday, July 7th**

Saturday, July 9th

Saturday, July 16th

***Thursday, July 21st**

Saturday, July 23rd

Saturday, July 30th

Saturday, August 6th

***Thursday, August 11th**

Saturday, August 13th

**** NOTE: THERE IS NO SESSION ON SATURDAY, JULY 3rd ****

Program Location:

Micro Soccer sessions will be held at Veteran's Park. The week one session will be held on Field # 3. Field # 3 is at the front of the park and runs parallel to Bedell Road. You can look for the blue pop-up tent near the field to sign in.

Uniform and Soccer Ball:

Each participant will receive their full uniform and size 4 soccer ball at the first session on June 25th

Soccer Equipment / Clothing:

Each player should wear their full soccer uniform. We will be using colored pinnies to identify an opposing team during small sided games. Players should wear shin guards and either soccer cleats or sneakers. Lastly, players should bring a water bottle to every session.

Micro Soccer Logistics:

Upon arrival each week, players should check-in at the registration tent. At the first session, they will receive their uniform and soccer ball during the check-in process. On a weekly basis, please have your child **ready ten to fifteen minutes before the start** and bring them to the registration tent. At that time, they will be assigned to a field for that day (fields will be clearly marked). Player's will be in a different group each week and will work with different facilitators. All facilitators will be following the same lesson plan, and a typical session will consist of a brief warm-up activity followed by a number of age appropriate activities, concluding with small-sided soccer games.

Parent Meeting:

There will be a parent meeting and Q&A session at the blue registration tent with the U7 Micro Soccer directors during the first session on June 25th. We will start the meeting once the players get started.

Parking:

Parking along Bedell Road is prohibited. You will be ticketed by local law enforcement, so we encourage you to park anywhere within Veteran's Park.

Rain Days:

The program will take place regardless of whether it is raining. In the event of storms involving lightning, please check the website www.gisoccerclub.org for a cancellation notice. The decision about cancellation will not be made before 8:00 AM Saturday morning.

Do

- Wear your full uniform to every session
- Bring your inflated soccer ball (provided 1st session). Please keep balls inflated
- Bring a water bottle

Don't

- Do not sit or stand between the fields; stay at the end. The fields are very small and close together and the children will run in between them
- Do not yell and scream, let the kids play and have fun
- Do not coach the children. They will learn the game themselves and need to hear the facilitators

Thank you,
Mike Rudney and Roger Hutton
U7 Micro Soccer Directors