



u6u7u8 PARENT MEETINGS

AUGUST 10, 2023

The mission of the Hampton Soccer Club is to provide a safe environment and positive experience for players, parents, coaches, referees, and spectators, and to allow recreational and competitive players to reach their highest potential through the teaching of individual skills, physical fitness, training, teamwork, sportsmanship, and fair play.

WELCOME

Introductions / Overview

About Hampton Soccer Club

Founded 1978

Two seasons: Fall and Spring (soccer year)

460 kids, 100 volunteers (coaches, key volunteers)

Last two weeks of January and last two weeks of May (no more 'early bird')

Board of Directors

Meet monthly

11 seats - 2 year term / half on rotation

Club > North District > PA West > USSF > FIFA

Fields / facilities

Main, Meadow, Fridley...

AGE GROUPS

u6 (4v4+) FUN - touches on the ball - keep ball moving – coach on field

u7u8* (5v5 incl. keepers) FUN - touches, passes, shooting, throw-ins and goalies - coach off field and parent on opp. side
u10 (7v7)*^ FUN - ICL / Travel - offside (build-out line) - certified referees - mixing all players / coaches – possible Spring Travel as prep for

u12^ (9v9) FUN - heading intro - team strategy / positions

u14^ (11v11) FUN - Fridley field - first touch focus – combo plays

u16^ (11v11) FUN - ball possession – consistent play

u20^ (11v11) (Coed) FUN - applying learned skills / concepts

*RIT ^USSF Ref ; HMS / HHS

TEAM FORMATION

A group, including coaches, Age-Group Manager and Commissioner will evaluate the pool:

Number of players

Available coaches and knowledge level

Always with Club mission in mind (read mission statement)

Plan for u10 and forward as adopted by the Board of Directors:

u10

FALL: ICL (Saturday)

Teams formed after first couple practices where coaches can evaluate and blend teams evenly by age and ability

SPRING: ICL and / or Travel

Teams will be formed to best fit competition levels; a minimum of one Travel (Sunday) team may be formed for the older age level (2012) to help begin transition to u11 in Fall; Team will be by interest expressed and player skill level selections.

u11+

FALL / SPRING: Coaches, Age Group Manager and Commissioner will evaluate the pool of players, coaches available and league competition and will form most competitive teams possible.

COACHES

Requirements

Safesport, clearances, coaching licenses through US soccer

REFEREES

RIT Level I – u8

RIT Level II – u8 and u10 ICL (Saturday)

USSF Certified

6th grade for RIT – Feb / March 1 hour classroom; 1 hour on field in April

13 years old – online modules then 4 hr on-field training

SIDELINE ETIQUETTE

General

Please sit opposite the coaches' 'technical area' – helps coaches get players to focus

Please sit a minimum of 3 yards back from 'touch line' (more as kids get older); don't sit behind goals

Cheer positive encouragement

Please help the coaches

Please don't coach...Cheer encouragement not instructions (Coaches have enough trouble coaching / comm (supposed (goal) to be quiet ... practice and on sideline)

DO NOT enter the field

Difficult to 'hold shape' – esp when parents yelling

'Kick it' / Good kick (thump) (build-out line trying to encourage 'carry' / pass)

Please help the referees

All about angles – you are rarely in the right position

These are your neighbors' children – essential to playing the games

Get certified 😊

MISCELLANEOUS

Please dress kids appropriately for the weather. Wear layers that can be removed. ALWAYS more 'extreme' at the fields (Hotter (less shade) / Cooler (windy))

Please send kids with enough water. Please have kids hydrate before the game when weather is hot.

First aid kit and AED in the Men's bathroom – right inside the door

Volunteering

See website for more info: www.HamptonSoccerClub.org/volunteers

Coaches

Administrative

Team building, sportsmanship, fun first, etc.

Calendar

Aug. 1 - In-House ('16-'19) to waitlist status

Aug. 1 - Travel teams declared to PA West

Aug. 7 to 11 - Everton Soccer Schools - summer camp (still time to register: www.HamptonSoccerClub.org/everton)

Aug. 10 - u6u8 ('16-'19) Parent information meeting "About HSC" 5:45pm to 6:45pm at Main field

Aug. 10 - u10 Parent meeting 7:00pm to 8:00pm

Aug. 10 - Uniform pick-up

Aug. TBD - Coach meeting

Aug. 20 - Women's World Cup Final (Fox 53)

Aug. 26 - Field Day / Uniform Pick-up / Equipment Swap*

Aug. 27 - Practices may start

Sept. 4 - Labor Day

Sept. 9-10 - First weekend of games

Sept. TBA - Hoagie fundraiser

Sept. 23 - HSC night at the Riverhounds (Fundraiser - buy tickets

here: <http://www.hamptonsooccerclub.org/riverhounds.html>)

Sept. TBA - Youth nights at HHS Boys / Girls JV / Varsity games

Oct. 6 - u6u7 Friday evening games and hoagie pick-up (possible u10 games - schedules permitting)

Oct. 7 - HAEE 5k (Sat. u10 games delayed until 12:30) (afternoon rain date for Oct. 6 evening games)

Oct. 21 - u10 indoor 'mini-tournament' - North Park bubble

Oct. 29-30 - last weekend of games

Nov. 5-6 - make-up games weekend

Nov. 6 - Field Day

Q&A

Contact Club with questions, comments, concerns via website contact form or through Coach