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Dear Coach,

Thank you for volunteering your time to coach Pee Wee Soccer. For some of the kids this may be their first soccer or team experience, which may be both exciting and scary. Adult involvement in these programs is extremely important to not only your team members but also their families.

Wells Rec is excited to offer soccer this fall; we try our best to offer programs for children that help get them exercise, try new activities, and interact with friends in a safe environment.

Pee Wee Soccer will begin on Wednesday, August 28 and end on October 9 from 4:30-5:30pm. (Rain make ups may be added; TBD). Coaches are asked to **arrive at 4:00pm on Wednesday, Aug 28** to discuss expectations for the season, activities for the first day, and match up coaches; we will meet at 2nd base on the softball field.

*There will be a short coach's clinic on Tuesday, August 27 @ 4:30pm at the Wells Rec Park softball field. This clinic is offered to coaches working with kindergarten through 5th grade and will happen before the youth opening day skills clinic. We will discuss expectations for the season, go over some drills, skills, and activities to do during practices.

On the first day, Wednesday, August 28, players will be put into random groups with a coach or coaches working on soccer skills and fun games. The remaining weeks coaches will run their team's practice activities for the first half hour then teams will play 4 on 4 games for the last half hour. Teams will be divided and announced for the second week; September 4.

Teams will be mixed grade: Kindergarten and 1st; players will be randomly placed on a team of 5-7 kids. If you have any requests for players or if you have someone you want to coach with, please let me know.

Enclosed you will find some guidelines that may help you prepare for your coaching endeavor and paperwork to fill out and return before the first day. Again, thank you and if you have any questions, please contact me at Wells Parks & Recreation Dept. at 646-5826.

Sincerely,
Marilyn K Wallace
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Wells Parks & Recreation Pee Wee Soccer

First Aid Procedures

First Aid kits are provided by the Recreation Dept. in the soccer ball bags or in a kit on the field. Coaches can deal with minor bumps, bruises, and scrapes. The field supervisor should be available for other first aid needs or assistance. For all procedures the coach and field supervisor must fill out an accident report within 48 hours of the incident.

****Please remember always wear gloves when dealing with Bodily Fluids****

Practice and Equipment Procedures

Practice/games will be 1 hour on Wednesdays. All practices and games are held at the Wells Rec Park on either the Softball field or the Multi-Purpose field. Please arrive early to meet your team. If you need anything further, please contact Marilyn or see the field supervisor.

During practice all your team players are your responsibility; please keep them in your practice area. A large bag of soccer balls will be placed on each field to be shared by the 2 teams on that field. After practice, please collect any equipment and give it to the supervisor. The field supervisor is available to assist you with equipment, first aid, and any other issues you might need help with.

If you are going to be delayed for practice, please contact the Wells Recreation Dept. at 646-5826 or Marilyn's cell phone 251-8213. More information on skills, drills, and practice ideas is available; please ask Marilyn.

Cancellation Procedures

The Recreation Dept. will email and text parents and coaches as well as contact the school to have the cancellation notice announced at school. We will also post the cancellation on the Rec. website and Facebook. Rescheduling dates may be tight due to facility restraints and time of season. One make-up date is already scheduled, however if we have more they may not be rescheduled.

Team Shirts

Team shirts will be passed out on your second day of practice/game. Please make sure all your players get a shirt that fits. (Youth sizes should say youth in small print and what size on them – adult will only say the size). Give the extras back to the Rec.