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Dear Coach,

Thank you for volunteering your time to coach Pee Wee Soccer. For some of the players and their families 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 Recreation 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 is held on Wednesdays, August 27 to October 8 at 4:30-5:30pm. (Rain make ups may be added; TBD). Coaches are asked to <u>arrive at 4:00pm</u> on Wednesday, Aug 27 to discuss expectations for the season, activities for the first day, and match up coaches; we will meet at 2<sup>nd</sup> base on the softball field.

On our first day, Wednesday, August 27, 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. (Practice plans will be sent to coaches each week) Teams will be divided and announced for the second week of soccer; September 3.

Teams will be mixed grades: Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup>; 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 Assistant Director Wells Parks & Recreation

## 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 Recreation Park on either the Softball field or the Multi-Purpose field. Please arrive 15 minutes early to meet your team. If you need anything further, please contact Marilyn or see the field supervisor.

During practice your team players are your responsibility; please keep them in your practice area. A bag of soccer balls will be placed on each field near a goal; each team will have their own bag. 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.