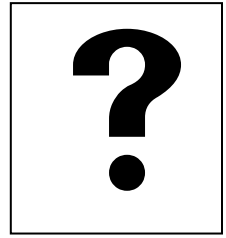


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## SUFFIELD PARKS AND RECREATION SOCCER - 2017

- Practice, Schedules & Other Information



Team Schedules may be downloaded from the Website: [www.suffieldrec.com](http://www.suffieldrec.com)

Practices will be as follows: Grades K-2: One (1) day per week and One (1) hour long. Grades 3-6: One (1) day per week and no more than 1.5 hours long.

Grades K-6 games start on 9/30. *See schedule.*

**Youth Elite Soccer will conduct informative, interactive clinics:**

Soccer Coaches Clinic: Saturday, September 16, 9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. at Bruce Park.

Soccer Players Clinic: Saturday, September 16, 10:00 – 10:45 a.m. at Bruce Park.

Team Photo Session – Saturday, September 16. Coaches should have players in Team jerseys preferably with black shorts. Parents may choose to purchase picture packages, no obligation.

- Meet at the Pavilion at Bruce Park for photos as follows:
- Grades K-2, photos are between 11:00 – 12:30 Grades 3- 6, photos are between 12:30 – 2:00 p.m.

Dates of Program: Saturdays, September 16 – October 28

- RAINY DAYS



Practice Days: Do not practice on fields when raining or when fields are wet. Call Parks & Recreation voice mail system (668-3862-press #2) after 4:30 p.m. on weekdays for a cancellation decision. If it begins to rain during the practice, play should be stopped, call parents for immediate pick up.

Saturday Games: A decision to cancel or not is made by 7:45 a.m. on Saturdays, call the Parks and Recreation voice mail system (668-3862-press #2) for an informational recorded message.

- TIME OF GAMES

Kindergarten Games: 10:00 a.m. at Spaulding Fields

Grades 1 & 2 Boys and Girls: 8:45 a.m. at Bruce Park

Grades 3 & 4 Boys and Girls: 11:00 a.m. at Sullivan Field

Grades 5 & 6 Coed: 10:00 a.m. at Bruce Park

Please use Spaulding School parking lots for additional parking.

Additional Information



Ball Size: K, 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> = #3      3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> = #4      5<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> = #5

Spectators, including parents will line up on the opposite side of the field from the team.

Sullivan Fields: park at Sullivan parking lot and across the street at Middle School. Use cross walk from Middle School to Sullivan. Do Not park in the Sacred Heart Church parking lot or on Hill St.

\*Silent Sidelines Day: Saturday, October 7: Coaches will be permitted to give players direction from the sidelines. Spectators will be directed to refrain from making any comments to players, coaches or referees, but will be permitted to applaud efforts by players.

The Philosophy of the non-competitive Recreation Soccer Program is to teach the children skills, fundamentals, good sportsmanship and to create a positive and fun environment for all involved. Consequently, team standings are not kept, no playoffs and no trophies or awards allowed. Achievement recognition items will be distributed at the end of the program.

The rules are such that all children get equal playing time. If you observe that your child is not being treated fairly, please contact the Parks and Recreation Department immediately or report this to the Referee Supervisor on site.

Drop off should not be before scheduled practices or games. Pick up time is promptly at scheduled ending time. Volunteer coaches are not responsible for “babysitting” children. If a child is not picked up by the time the scheduled practice time ends, volunteers may leave the child with the Suffield Police Dept. for their parents or guardians to pick up. We urge coaches not to transport other children than their own.

Team shirts are required to be worn for games.

Sneakers or cleats must be worn, it is recommended that grades 3 - 6 wear cleats. If a child does not have sneakers or cleats, he/she will not be allowed to participate. Shin guards must be worn or the child will not be allowed to participate.

Jewelry: For your child’s safety & the safety of others, Jewelry is not permitted to be worn when playing soccer. The following Jewelry is not permitted: earrings, rings, bracelets, rubber and friendship type wrist bands, anklets, body piercing, watches, necklaces, metal and plastic head bands, barrettes, hair clips. Items allowed to be worn to keep hair out of eyes and face: cloth or elastic hair bands or pony tail holders.

Program evaluations are available on the Department website: [www.suffieldrec.com](http://www.suffieldrec.com) please take the time to complete this form and return it to Parks and Recreation.

The Suffield Parks & Recreation Department (SPRD) reserves the right to dismiss any child from a program who is disruptive. The SPRD also reserves the right to dismiss any Volunteer Coach who does not follow the governing procedures, policies & philosophy of the SPRD. Please contact the Parks & Rec. Office with any problems with an individual, 668-3862. It is our policy that smoking, use of alcohol or illegal drugs & other obvious infractions will not be tolerated.