



2019-20 Youth Soccer

Attention Parents: What happens after registration?

A coach should contact all players no later than **Friday, November 22nd**. Please write down the team name, coach's name and phone number, and location and times for practices for future reference.

Practices will begin no later than **Monday, November 25**. Prior to the beginning of the season, each team will practice twice, once in the week and once on Saturdays. Once the season has started, the teams will practice once a week. The coach will schedule his or her own practices.

Schedules and shirts will be passed out beginning **Saturday, December 14th**. Schedules will also be available online by **Friday, December 13, 2019**.

The season begins **Saturday, January 11** and will run through **February 22**. Games will be on Saturday mornings in addition to a weeknight game the week of January 27th or February 3rd. Game times for Saturdays will be 9:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 11:00 AM, and Noon. Games scheduled on a weeknight will not start before 6:00 PM.

***Please note all games may not be played at registration sites. Game sites will not be determined until all teams are finalized.**

Tom Brown Park will host all the "all-girls leagues" and the majority of the U8 and above leagues.

If you have any additional questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us. Thanks and have a great season,

Toni McDonald
Athletic Supervisor II
Tallahassee Park, Recreation & Neighborhood Affairs Department
850-891-3835 office 850-510-4581 work cell
Toni.McDonald@talgov.com



**Find us on
facebook**

facebook.com/COTparks

**TALLAHASSEE PARKS, RECREATION &
NEIGHBORHOOD AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT
PHILOSOPHY AND PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT PLEDGE**

The goal of the Tallahassee Parks, Recreation & Neighborhood Affairs Department is to provide an enjoyable, exciting and satisfying recreational experience for as many of the children in our community as possible.

Our rules are written to encourage participation and enjoyment by all. Developmental sports are to provide “successful” experiences through fundamental skill development vs. a “winning” only, singular philosophy. Skill development ultimately provides the tools for a more competitive winning focus or experience.

To parents of participants, we direct you to refrain from criticizing or exhibiting frustrations toward opposing coaches, players, fans, and officials **IN ANY WAY**. This distraction will only have a negative impact on your child’s, as well as other children’s overall experience. However, we urge you to discuss any concerns you may have regarding the activity with the coach or league supervisor before or after the event in a courteous and respectful manner. Let’s work together to provide a positive experience for each and every player.

We hope that you will measure “success” not simply in terms of team victories, but also in the real enjoyment of playing an exciting sport and having a great time!

To this end we would like to solicit your support by pledging to provide a supportive, positive image in and around all our sporting events. Below is the National Youth Sports Coaches Association (NYSCA) Parents’ Code of Ethics Pledge, which will be extremely important for your child, as well as other participants, to expect from their spectators and parents to realize a “successful experience” in sports. Please read the material below and indicate by your signature on then registration form that you will abide by this ethics pledge in order for your child to participate in in one of our sports programs.

I hereby Pledge to provide positive support, care and encouragement for my child participating in youth sports by following this Parents’ Code of Ethics.

- I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches and officials at every game, practice or other youth sports event.
- I will place the emotional and physical well-being of my child ahead of a personal desire to win.
- I will insist that my child play in a safe and healthy environment.
- I will support coaches and officials working with my child in order to encourage a positive and enjoyable experience for all.
- I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free of drugs and alcohol, and will refrain from their use at all youth sports events.
- I will remember that the game is for youth – not for adults
- I will do my very best to make youth sports fun for my child.
- I will ask my child to treat other players, coaches, fans, and officials with respect regardless of race, sex, creed or ability.
- I will help any child enjoy the youth sports experience by doing whatever I can, such as being a respectful fan, assisting with coaching or providing transportation.