

Youth Volleyball Parent Information Sheet

Did you know...?

1. Our Program Philosophy

Is to provide your child with an enjoyable, healthy, recreational experience while learning the game of volleyball. Your child's volunteer coach not only teaches your child the fundamentals of the game, but is expected to serve as a positive role model at all times. Your child's head coach is volunteering his/her time to coach the team, which is a big responsibility. He/she may need your help and definitely needs your cooperation to make your season a success.

2. Won-Loss Records

We do not stress the outcome of the games. We do not keep standings. We emphasize--win or lose--that the kids did their best, tried their hardest, had fun and are improving game by game. A participation certificate will be distributed to your child at season's end by your child's coach, recognizing his/her personal participation, achievement and sportsmanship.

3. Sportsmanship

Should be demonstrated by everyone involved-- players, coaches, parents, and spectators-- at all times. All adults involved must be positive in all their actions. We expect our players to be sportsmanlike throughout practices and games. All adults must follow suit as well.

4. Participation Rule

All our Youth Volleyball leagues are guided by the Participation Rule. If your child attends practice on a regular basis, he/she will most likely play in at least two games in every 3-game match. Volleyball games are determined by score and not time. At times, a game can be over very quickly. Therefore, it is not always possible to plan accurately how much playing time each player will receive. Your child's head coach is responsible for making sure each child who regularly attends practice receives equitable playing time. We encourage you to talk to your child's head coach should you have any questions regarding your child's playing time. Poor sportsmanship, lack of cooperation or other behavior problems may bring the consequence of restriction of playing time. The Head Coach will contact you if this becomes an issue for your child.

5. Positions

Your child has the opportunity to play each position throughout each match.

6. Team T-Shirt/Knee Pads/Volleyballs

Your child will receive his/her team t-shirt from his/her coach prior to the start of the season. This team t-shirt is your child's uniform t-shirt and must be worn in all league games. Your child is not required to wear knee pads, but many players prefer to use them. We encourage the players to bring their own volleyball to practices in order to have a ball per child. A leather indoor ball is preferable.

7. Referee

One referee has been scheduled to officiate your child's league matches. Please keep in mind that the referee may be new to officiating the game, as the players are new to playing and the coaches are new to coaching. Your child's head coach is to approach the referee in a positive manner if questions or concerns arise. Parents must REFRAIN from arguing and/or yelling at the referee. This creates a negative environment for all - most importantly the players. We always must remember this is RECREATION YOUTH VOLLEYBALL! We are here for the kids. Volleyball rules have been changing rapidly the past few years. If you have a question about a rule or would like a more detailed explanation, you may check with your child's head coach or contact Karen Draves at 994-2300 x 53254.

8. Questions/Concerns

Feel free to share with us any questions/concerns you may have throughout the season. Our goal is to make your child's playing experience a most positive and enjoyable one!

For more information, please call:

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