

Dear Parents and Coaches of Middleton Youth Soccer U-8 players:

The mission of our program is to provide an environment where our children have fun, learn, and develop a love for the game of soccer. U-8 is an important transitional period in young player development. The Middleton Board of Directors believes that our program should provide a consistent, positive, developmental result through our volunteer coaches. Through our wonderful coaches, we fully believe we can make the soccer experience a positive one for the children in our Middleton Youth Soccer program. We feel that our children will benefit most if we focus on our coaches and help them be confident in their ability to teach.

Building on the positive feedback we had from last spring, MYS will continue to provide coaching support including; a player development weekly curriculum, coaching training sessions, and weekly participation, support, and mentoring for our coaches in our program. Our dual field format for scrimmages will continue to be utilized as it supports our “let the game be the teacher” philosophy. MYS will provide coach clinics to explain and support this approach.

We are committed to improving development opportunities for our children and believe this pilot program will support the learning and enjoyment of the game for our children. Please feel free to ask questions or offer comments or suggestions.

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