

## **THUNDER AND LIGHTNING POLICY**

**Thunder that is close by and/or Lightning necessitates that all contests be suspended.** If thunder is heard close by and/or lightning is observed from the field at ANY location, all outdoor activities must be suspended immediately. Players and spectators should be directed to a safe location. The official/coaches shall wait a minimum of 20 minutes from the time of the last observed thunder/lightning before considering the resumption of play.

**If thunder is heard close by and/or lightning is observed from the field at any location by coaches/officials 20 or fewer minutes prior to the scheduled start of the contest, the officials/coaches shall not permit the contest to begin until at least 20 minutes pass from the time of the last observed thunder/lightning.**

HFYSL encourages our coaches to call parents if they ARE going to cancel a game prior to the start. If the coaches plan to play, the coaches will not call parents, but will meet at the game location as scheduled. Playing is always voluntary. If a parent does not want a child to participate that is perfectly acceptable, we just ask that the parent notify the coach if their child will not attend.

## **SPECTATOR POLICY**

HFYSL fully expects that all spectators will be courteous and respectful to the coaches and the referees. If a spectator believes there is an issue that needs to be addressed, it should be addressed after the game with the coach. In the event the situation is not resolved, the spectator should call the Director of the Honeoye Falls Youth Soccer League to discuss it.