LOGANSPORT SOCCER CLUB TRAVEL SOCCER INFORMATION September 29, 2024

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- 2. What: Travel soccer is a competitive soccer program for players who want a step up from recreational soccer.
- 3. Why: Challenge our players to be the best they can be.
 - a. Competing versus playing: different kind of fun. You're here to improve not just play. Enjoyment comes from improvement and progress and playing against good competition that pushes you to excel.
 - b. Commitment: training 2x per week. Attendance is expected, not optional. Practice at home on off days.
 - c. Development: players maximize their potential. Winning comes as a result
 - i. Presumption of equal playing time (league games)
 - ii. No set positions, everyone plays everywhere (except GK)
 - iii. Age/skill-appropriate instruction
 - iv. Licensed, experienced coaches

4. Who:

- a. Players: we can field teams for players born from 2006 to 2016. 2025 minus birth year gives "soccer age".
 - i. High School (spring only) 2024-25 high school players (2006-10)
 - ii. 14Us born 2011 and 2012
 - iii. 12Us born 2013 and 2014
 - iv. 10Us born 2015 and 2016

b. Coaches:

- i. Committed for the fall and spring
- ii. Licensed (USSF/USC for their age group)
- iii. Experienced (ideally but not necessary)
- c. Team managers: help recruit the team, set schedules, etc.
- d. Referees: want home games? Need referees.
- e. Year Parents: help program coordinator and team managers with recruiting, organizing, etc.
- f. Players' families:
 - i. Commitment: understand the value of travel soccer and commit your players and yourselves to the program. Help with field setup and maintenance, concession stand, etc.
 - ii. Identification of players: coaches, managers, club need help identifying potential travel players, convincing their parents the program is worth the effort, etc.

- iii. Club culture: help us create an environment that fosters hard work, smart play, and fun while remaining inclusive and helping nurture love for the game.
- 5. When: Year goes fall to spring.
 - a. Training
 - i. 2 evenings per week
 - ii. Fall: beginning mid-August, ending late October
 - iii. Spring: beginning mid-March, ending early June
 - b. Games
 - i. 6-8 league games, mostly Saturdays and Sundays, occasional week night
 - ii. Friendly games possible
 - iii. Half home, half away (home games only if we have referees!)
 - c. Tournaments
 - i. State/Presidents/Challenge/Memorial Cup in Spring: 3 more preliminary games, finals late May/early June if qualify.
 - d. Ideally, commit to fall and spring seasons (14U down)
- 6. Where: depends on grouping, but usually either north or south
 - a. North: Northern IN (Logansport would be southernmost team)
 - i. Fort Wayne, South Bend, Crown Point
 - b. South: Central IN (Logansport would be northernmost team)
 - i. Indianapolis, Avon, Greenfield
- 7. Cost:
 - a. Player fees: \$50 per season
 - b. Uniforms: \$120 for adult sizes. Cheaper for youth.
 - c. Scholarships are available for families with financial need.
- 8. Next steps
 - a. November 1: Need adult commitments to coach/manage/referee teams.
 - b. December 1: If we have adults committed, players must be registered.
 - c. December 16: Teams must be registered with ISA for leagues.