

## We need you!

## Help us out – volunteer to be a head coach!

Parent volunteers are the backbone of every youth sports organization, and Waldorf Soccer Club is no different. Our recreational youth coaches are our most important volunteers! We know that everyone is busy, but without coaches, our children would not have a team to play on and would miss out.

You don't have to be a parent to coach either. We have several ex-players, college students, teachers and more that coach out of a love for the game and the kids. Still, what's better than coaching your own child's soccer team??



Our goal here at Waldorf Soccer is to provide a fun soccer experience where children can learn about the game, become life-long fans, hang out with friends, meet new friends, and maybe develop some soccer skills that may motivate them to move up to a more competitive atmosphere. Emphasis is on FUN – not winning. Although winning is fun too!

## NO EXPERIENCE IS NECESSARY TO COACH YOUTH REC SOCCER!

We will provide all the equipment you need. Plus, we will set you up with practice plans and all the info you need to successfully coach your team.

## Here is what is required:

- Attend an on-line coach's meeting in late February (for spring) or early August (for fall) to finalize rosters and season plans.
- 2 evening practices per week 60-90 minutes in length. You plan them, arrive 15 minutes early to set up and greet players. Then 15 minutes to pack up and ensure every child is picked up by their parent.
- You choose the evenings, times and school field locations to practice.
  You will be provided with a list of schools that are available.
- 1 game per week, mostly on Saturday mornings/early afternoons.
  Home games at Bryantown and away games elsewhere in the county
  (Laurel Springs, SMYO etc). Again, arrive 15 minutes early and stay 15 minutes after.
- Engage the parents of your players. Set up snacks, after game fun stuff etc. Be able to answer their questions.

- Answer emails and other communications promptly during the season.
- Complete mandatory FREE on-line training that Charles County Rec Dept provides (a one-time course).
- Successful completion of a criminal background check annually.

For head coaches, there are incentives of course!

- Free registration for 1 dependent child OR a \$100 DICKS Sporting Good gift card for your own personal use.
- Free use of TeamSnap to communicate with players, parents, and club staff.
- 1 year recreational membership United Soccer Coaches (for coaching ideas and instruction).
- \$25 reimbursement for completion of a US Soccer on-line Grassroots course.
- Coach's polo or tee shirt
- Free access to the Club's DC United or Washington Spirit season tickets at least once per year.
  In blocks of 4 tickets.

Won't you consider giving it a go? Can we count on you?

If you are interested, please contact us at <a href="mailto:president@waldorfsoccer.com">president@waldorfsoccer.com</a> for more information.



