

Ramapo Valley Soccer Club

2018 Fall Recreation Program

Season Startup Information

Dear Families,

On behalf of the Ramapo Valley Soccer Club, we want to thank you for choosing to play in our Fall Recreation program. We look forward to another great season of soccer!

This information package is being provided to help you prepare for opening day of practices and games. Please read through the entire package as it will address the key information leading up to the season.

Whether this is your first time participating in one of our programs or you are returning back, we wish you all the best with this fun learning program!

Yours in Soccer, The Ramapo Valley Soccer Club

League Website:

All information provided in in this package and other related documents are available at the soccer club website: <https://www.rvsoccer.org>. Select the "Youth Recreation Programs" listed under the Main Menu shown on the left side of the homepage.

Registration:

Registration will close at the end of today **Wednesday, 9/12**.

Teams:

While we will look to assign children from the same school to a team. However, team roster sizes, combined with available coaches, may result in schools being spread across 2 or more teams. Requests to be placed on a specific team or with a specific coach generally are not considered.

Team assignments will be posted on **Saturday, 9/15**.

Coaches:

Parents who have expressed interest in coaching via their child's registration, will be assigned based on need. No experience is needed. We will teach you what is needed and guide you throughout the season. We always need help with coaching or operating the program so contact us at the email address listed in the Help section below.

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Uniforms:

All players are required to wear the complete program uniform (jersey, shorts and socks). Uniforms will be distributed during at the practices on **Thursday (9/20)** and **Thursday (9/27)**, and at the games on **Sunday (9/23)** and **Sunday (9/30)**.

In addition to the league uniform, all players ***must wear shin-guards***. Soccer cleats are highly recommended and can only be substituted with sneakers. Other sport cleats may not be used.

Pre-K Schedule:

All sessions for Pre-K will be held on Sundays at 1:00-2:00pm and will be held at Suffern High School. Please refer to the Facility Map for specific location at the High School. There are no weekday practices.

Practice Schedule (K thru 8 only):

Practices for Grades K thru 8 will held at the St. Lawrence Sports Complex in Hillburn.

Each age group team will have 1 weekly practice:

- Grades K and 1 will be held ***Thursdays, 6:00-7:00pm.***
- Grades 2 and 3 will be held ***Wednesdays, 6:00-7:00pm.***
- Grades 4 thru 8 will be held ***Wednesdays, 7:15-8:15pm.***

The practice schedule will be posted **Friday, 9/14**.

Game Schedule (K thru 8 only):

All games for Grades K thru 8 will be on Sundays at Suffern High School. Each game segment is 1 hour long and will start between the hours of Noon-3pm.

The game schedule will be posted **Friday, 9/14**.

Locations:

As mentioned above, we will be using 2 locations:

For Practices: St. Lawrence Sports Complex --- 115 Torne Valley Road, Hillburn, NY 10931

For Pre-K and Games (K thru 8th): Suffern High School --- 49 Viola Road, Suffern, NY 10901

Each location offers access to bathrooms.

Facility maps for both locations will be posted **Friday, 9/14**.

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Rules:

While this is a recreation program, we have established a brief set of rules to guide the program to provide for an enjoyable experience for the players. Please take the time to review the guide that is posted on the website.

Picture Day:

The league picture day will be held on **Sunday, 10/14 or 10/21**. Final plans will be announced by **October 1st**.

Smoking & Pet Policy:

Both smoking and pets are prohibited anywhere on the premises Suffern High School.

Weather:

Stay up to date with the weather for the Suffern area at:
<https://weather.com/weather/today/l/10901:4:US>

Inclement Weather:

We will conduct practices and games during periods of light rain, however, should the rain worsen (or there is thunder or lightning) we may cancel the session for that day. We encourage parents to check the website each day for any last minute updates. We will also send an email with any weather alerts.

Practices and games cancelled will not be rescheduled.

For Help:

For all questions, please send an email to: recreation@rvsoccer.org.

Please avoid leaving phone messages, text messages, or posting questions to social media as we do not have the staff to monitor these. Once you have been assigned to a team, your coach should be your first point of contact.

In addition, during the season, staff will be available during practices and games to provide any needed assistance.

We wish everyone a great season !!!