

Coaches & Referees:

A few of you wanted some clarification on game formats and play. I'm hoping to clear this up. If you have any questions please let me know.

4s-K League

- 4 Vs 4 players, with no goalie.
- Please try and have your players not stand in front of the goal, I know this is hard, but looking to avoid camping out there as opposed to getting between the offense and the goal.
- Coaches can be on the field and are acting as referees. Mostly judging who's ball it is when it goes out of bounds. If the ball goes out on the sideline, have them try to throw it. I'm not overly concerned with the perfect throw, (feet down behind the line, ball over the head etc.) Have them try and get it close, especially for the first 2 games.
- If the ball goes out past the end line, (line the goal is on) then place the ball on the end line and have the defending team kick out. The offensive team should retreat to the half line to allow the other team to bring the ball up the field.
- There should be 6, 4 minute periods per half with a 5 minute devotion at half time. Ben should run those unless he is referee on another field. If that is the case, he will give one of the coaches to read the devotional.
- Each game field will have a sign, a game ball in the middle and a color flag on each goal. Those flags are to help your players know which goal to score on. There will be a yellow and white flag.

1st through 6th Grade

- 5 Vs 5 players, with a goalie (6 players total). 2 defense, 1 center and 2 wings.
- Defenders should try and stay on their side of the field for the first 2-3 games so they can learn the position. If game play has them making a run and cross the line, that's fine.
- If the ball goes out past the end line, (line the goal is on) then place the ball on the penalty box line and have the defending team kick out. The offensive team should retreat to the half line to allow the other team to bring the ball up the field.
- There should be 3, 6 minute periods per half with a 5 minute devotion at half time. The referee should run those.
- Each game field will have a sign, a game ball in the middle and a referee assigned.
- Look at the referee video to explain more of the rules we are looking to follow here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FuKVkfOUL9g&t=5s>

Let me know if you have any questions. See you all tomorrow!

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