



Pride Soccer Club Player/Parent Agreement

Introduction

Over the years, we have learned for a club to be successful there needs to be clear communication between the club, the coaches, and the players and parents. This agreement is one way of explaining our expectations of you as a member of Pride Soccer Club.

The Player, Team and Club

Once you commit to join PSC, you are part of the club, not just one team. Members of PSC agree to put the club ahead of the team. Although in most cases you will play on one team the entire season, you could be asked to play on another team during your membership. Club decisions will be made by the appropriate member of the Pride staff. Players are also expected to be committed to the club for the entire seasonal year (fall and spring) beginning July 1.

Expectations of the Individual Player

During the soccer season the team and its players will participate in training sessions, league play and tournaments. Players are expected to arrive on time with required equipment (shoes, proper uniforms, soccer ball, shin guards, etc.) and be ready to train or play. If players will not be able to attend an event or will be late, it is expected that they let the coach know. Players are also expected to give their best effort at each training and game and have a positive, team attitude.

Tryouts and Player Placement

Tryouts will occur at the end of each seasonal year according to MOSSL and OSYSA bylaws. During tryouts players will be evaluated by the PSC coaches and other qualified evaluators. Players will be evaluated on technical abilities, tactical abilities, physical abilities, and special qualities such as attitude, character and leadership. Players will be placed on teams according to their abilities and the needs of the team. If additional players are needed throughout the season, players can and will be added to teams after the tryout process. If players are selected to join PSC, registration materials and commitment deposits are due the Sunday after tryouts.

Coaching Staff

Pride staff coaches will be chosen based on playing experience, coaching experience, coaching license level, personality and other qualities. Coaches will be placed to teams by the PSC Director of Coaching according to the needs of the team. The coaching staff will work together to ensure all training sessions are covered by a qualified coach. In the event that a coach has another conflict and cannot make his or her team's training or game, another staff coach will cover the event. If no coaches are available, a qualified parent will be asked to cover. In most cases, coaches will be assigned to teams for the entire seasonal year.

Coaching Decisions

Coaches will make decisions on game line-ups, positions, playing time, etc. Players and parents are expected to respect those decisions and players should be positive in fulfilling the role they are asked to perform for the team. If parents have questions regarding decisions that were made during the game, they are to observe the 24 hour rule and wait at least until the next day to address the coach. Parents and coaches are always expected to address each other in an appropriate manner.

Playing Time

Playing time is decided by the coach. U10 and under players should play a minimum amount of half of the game. All other ages should never play less than one third of the game. Coaches will determine how players can increase their playing time and communicate that to parents and players.

Tournaments

Tournaments will be selected by the PSC Director in cooperation with the coaching staff based on the level and needs of the team. Some tournaments that PSC teams have played in during past seasons and will continue to in the future are: MOSSL tournaments, Dublin Charity Cup, OP Invitational, Fall Ball Classic, Cincy Challenge, Mockingbird Invitational, Mid American Soccer Classic (MASC), Middletown Spring Blast, Hudson Spring Kickoff, Sidney Mayfest Classic, Creek Classic, Club X Xenia Tornado Memorial, Starburst Soccer Spectacular, KSA Turf Classic, and Warrior Classic.

League Play

Pride Soccer Club is a member of the Mid Ohio Select Soccer League (MOSSL). If U11-U19 teams are qualified, they will apply to play in the Buckeye Premier Youth Soccer League (BPYSL).

Team Travel

In many cases, teams will travel to tournaments which require an overnight stay. Hotel decisions and reservations will initially be made by the club or team administrators. It is the player/parent's responsibility to finalize and confirm the reservations before the set deadline.

