



United Soccer Athletes (USA) Soccer Club

Player Safety/Guardian Policy

To help ensure the health and safety of the players within the United Soccer Athletes (USA) soccer club, the following policy has been enacted.

1. ALL players must be in groups of at least TWO (2) when leaving and returning from bathrooms or other remote location at ANY facility, practice field, home field or away games. They must stay together in the "buddy-system" until they all players come back to the field/location safely. Oversight by a designated team parent or manager is also recommended, especially with our younger players.
2. ENCOURAGE parent volunteers to stay at practices and escort any players to the restroom or other remote location as needed - and known team parents/adults should escort players at all games, tournaments, or team/Club activities that are not part of our routinely designated Club facilities.
3. DO NOT let a player be alone before or after a Club/team activity, at any time.
4. DO NOT harbor a player alone in a closed vehicle/building. Under all circumstances all player must be kept in an open, public space. If for the sake of their safety a Club staff member must be alone with a player in a private space, it must be with the knowledge of the parent/guardian.
5. DO NOT leave the location of a Club activity with a player. Under no circumstances is any Club staff member to leave any locations with a player(s). The only exception to this is when team staff has documented communication with the parent/guardian that this is allowable for a particular purpose (e.g., transport to a game, carpooling to/from practice, etc.).
6. FOLLOW the Club Weather-Related Cancellation guidelines.

This is a critical, non-negotiable policy. Please share with your other Club coaches, managers, parents, and players.