



# West Chester Soccer Club

## Sportsmanship, Score Reporting, Scores and Standings

Happy Feet and Passers – we don't record scores or standings – players and parent should focus on skill development not scores.

If you travel to other clubs to play, your team plays in the SAY North League. Scores are entered as we receive the score cards from the referees. If you have played a game and the score has not been recorded for 7 days – I am happy to enter it – please email me at [info.wcsc@gmail.com](mailto:info.wcsc@gmail.com)

To check Scores and Standings for the SAY North League go to [www.saynorth.org](http://www.saynorth.org) and click on standings, next use the drop down menu to check your team's scores/standings. Division info is on the schedule.

## Don't Run Up the Score – it's no fun for either team

The SAY Motto is "**Kids Having Fun.**" It is also important for players to develop skills while having fun. When a game's score becomes too lopsided, it is not benefiting either team. The team that is losing by that large of a margin will usually become discouraged and not play to their potential. They are definitely not having fun. The team that is winning finds it easier and easier to score because the other team is discouraged.

- **A sense of "good sportsmanship" is necessary to prevent running up the score.**
  - A good rule-of-thumb would be if your team is winning by five goals, it is time to give your team a bigger challenge.
    - Never run the score up – a win is a win – it's all about the fun at that point.

Coach your players - Add restrictions – such as:

- A pass back to a midfielder must be made before scoring.
- All forwards must touch the ball before scoring.
- A score can only be made from a cross from outside the outer edge of the penalty box or 'x' yards away from the goal.
- Ask to see a specific play or a specific move from one or more players.
- Have the player shoot with the opposite foot or only on a head ball