



## Welcome to JC Soccer Club!

Thank you for bringing your child to us to learn the beautiful game. We hope that they will play hard, learn a lot, and have tons of fun this season.

**Games and Practices** - Please plan on attending all games. Some teams have very few subs and need every player.

Expected First Games: Sept. 7

Expected Last Games: Nov. 9

Home games will be played either at HJ Carroll Park (u11 and older) or Irondale Park (u10 and younger). Away games will be played at various locations around Kitsap County. Games are generally NOT canceled for rain/cold. They may be rescheduled for other reasons; your coach will inform you of rescheduling.

Practices are set by coaches; times and locations will vary. If you have not heard from your coach by now, please let us know and we'll work to figure out what's up.

Schedules should be posted by **August 31**. They can be found at <https://www.nsysasoccer.org/schedules>. Links to individual schedules will also be on the JCSC web site: <http://jcsoccerclub.org/schedule>. Please check the NSYSA page before every game, as changes may occur after initial scheduling.

### **Necessary equipment**

Soccer cleats, shin guards, water bottle. For games, official teal uniforms with black shorts and socks. For safety reasons, please ensure that your child is not wearing football or baseball cleats.

**Did you know?? We're on Facebook and Instagram!** Tag us and hashtag your photos

**Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/JCSoccerClub/>

**Instagram:** <https://www.instagram.com/jcsoccerclub/> #jcsoccerclub

**Please no pets on the sports fields at HJ Carroll Park**

# Local Soccer Hierarchy



FIFA (Fédération Internationale de Football Association) is the world governing body for soccer.



CONCACAF (Confederation of North, Central American and Caribbean Association Football) is one of FIFA's six regional federations.



The United States is one of 40 countries in Concacaf. US Soccer is the governing body of soccer in the United States.



US Youth Soccer is one of the governing bodies of youth soccer in the United States. It is affiliated with US Soccer.



Washington Youth Soccer is the US Youth Soccer governing body for soccer in the state of Washington for players ages 5-19.



NSYSA (Northwest Sound Youth Soccer Association) is the governing district league under which JCSC plays. It covers District IV: Clallam, Jefferson, Kitsap and north Mason Counties.



Jefferson County Soccer Club is the local club for east Jefferson County. It is a recreational level club open to all players ages 8-18.



## Development Pathway



From Regional Club League level and beyond, players have access to opportunities such as:

- College/Professional Exposure
- US Soccer National Training Centers
- Region IV Olympic Development Program Pool
- US Soccer Development Academies (Boys Only)
- US Soccer National Pool

## JCSC plays at the RECREATIONAL level

### From WYS: Recreational Level of Play

The recreational level of play is an ideal entry point for those who want to be introduced to the game and participate in a team or club. The recreational level of play is primarily devoted to the enjoyment and development of soccer players, without the emphasis on travel or high-level competition. Recreational soccer is open to all players and no tryouts are involved in joining a team.



## Birth Year and Season Matrix

When determining the age group for a season, the year the season ends should be used for determining the birth year. Also note that the format "U followed by age" really means that age and younger. For example, U8 should be read as 8 and younger. For more age-group information please reference [U.S. Soccer's Player Development Initiatives](#).

Season	2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
<b>Birth Year</b>									
<b>2020</b>									
<b>2019</b>									U6
<b>2018</b>								U6	U7
<b>2017</b>							U6	U7	U8
<b>2016</b>						U6	U7	U8	U9
<b>2015</b>					U6	U7	U8	U9	U10
<b>2014</b>				U6	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11
<b>2013</b>			U6	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12
<b>2012</b>		U6	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	U13
<b>2011</b>	U6	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	U13	U14
<b>2010</b>	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	U13	U14	U15
<b>2009</b>	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	U13	U14	U15	U16
<b>2008</b>	U9	U10	U11	U12	U13	U14	U15	U16	U17
<b>2007</b>	U10	U11	U12	U13	U14	U15	U16	U17	U18
<b>2006</b>	U11	U12	U13	U14	U15	U16	U17	U18	U19
<b>2005</b>	U12	U13	U14	U15	U16	U17	U18	U19	
<b>2004</b>	U13	U14	U15	U16	U17	U18	U19		
<b>2003</b>	U14	U15	U16	U17	U18	U19			
<b>2002</b>	U15	U16	U17	U18	U19				
<b>2001</b>	U16	U17	U18	U19					
<b>2000</b>	U17	U18	U19						
<b>1999</b>	U18	U19							

For more information:

<https://www.ussoccer.com/stories/2017/08/five-things-to-know-about-birth-year-registration>

## Quick Reference: Team sizes, match length by age

(Taken from NSYSA Operating Procedures: <https://www.nsysasoccer.org/documents>)

Age	Roster size # (min)	Roster size # (max)	Roster # suggested	# Field Players	# Field Players min	Ball Size	Game Length
u16-u19	11	22	18	11	7	5	2x 45 min. halves
u14-u15	11	18	16	11	7	5	2x 40 min. halves
u13	11	18	16	11	7	5	2x 35 min halves
u11-u12	9	14	12	9	7	4	2x 30 min halves
u10	7	12		7		4	2x 25 min halves
u9	7	12		7		4	2x 25 min halves

**JCSC vs. County Parks & Rec** - Youth in Jefferson County have the opportunity to choose from two different local programs. While both programs introduce kids to soccer, each is a unique experience.

	<b>County Rec</b>	<b>JC Soccer Club</b>
<b>Ages of Participants</b>	preK-8th grade, organized by grade	8-18, organized by birth year
<b>Seasons</b>	Fall and Spring	Fall
<b>Teams</b>	Co-ed	Divided by Gender
<b>Levels of Play</b>	Recreational	Recreational
<b>Who do we play?</b>	Other JeffCo Parks & Rec teams	Club teams from Kitsap and Olympic peninsulas
<b>Length of Season</b>	8 weeks	10 weeks plus optional post-season tournament
<b>Game Locations</b>	HJ Carroll Park, Memorial Field	5 @ HJ Carroll Park, 5 away @ opposing clubs' home fields
<b>Game Days</b>	Sunday, one Wednesday	Saturday with possible exceptions for make-ups
<b>Practices</b>	Usually 2/week, TBD by coaches	Usually 2/week, TBD by coaches
<b>Uniforms</b>	T-shirt included	One-time purchase of jersey, shorts, socks
<b>Coaches</b>	Volunteer with basic knowledge	Volunteer, usually with soccer playing and/or coaching experience, certifications
<b>Rules</b>	Vary, customized based on WYS rules	WYS Rules of Competition, as mandated by FIFA
<b>Team Size</b>	3-7 on field per side, depending on age	7-11 on field per side depending on age
<b>Field Size</b>	Modified/small	Standard, depending on age
<b>Referees</b>	Mostly volunteer	Paid, state certified
<b>Scores and Standings</b>	None recorded	Tracked by WYS

# Tips for Soccer Success

## Player Responsibilities:

- Attend practice/games regularly and arrive on time
- Bring all the proper equipment for practice and games
- Inform the coach in advance if you are going to miss practice or a game
- Challenge yourself at each practice so that you can improve as a player
- Work towards good sportsmanship and teamwork
- Respect referees and the game
- Be supportive of your teammates at all times

## Parent Responsibilities:

- Transport your child to and from practices or games on time
- Be supportive of all the players
- Help your child understand that he/she is contributing to a team effort
- Focus on mastering the skills of the game and not on the winning
- Attend games and cheer for the team
- Refrain from criticizing the opponents, be positive with all the players
- Be respectful to referees, don't question calls, let the coach handle it
- Refrain from coaching your child during or after the games

## Tips for Parents from Kids

- Don't yell out instructions
- Don't yell at me in public
- Don't yell at the coach
- Don't put down my teammates
- Don't put down officials
- Don't lose your cool
- Don't put down the other team
- Don't lecture me about mistakes after the game
- Don't forget how to laugh and have fun
- Don't forget that it is just a game

# **JCSC Board and Support Positions**

You might notice that we have MANY vacant or soon-to-be vacant positions. This club depends on parent volunteers. Without your help we cannot continue. You can find more info on individual responsibilities at <http://jcsoccerclub.org/jcsc-job-descriptions/>.

**Each team must have one Parent Liaison who will attend once monthly board meetings.**

**President – Andrew Fiske - OUTGOING**

**Vice President – VACANT**

**Treasurer – Stella Paterson - OUTGOING**

**Secretary – VACANT**

**Registrar – Jeni Banks**

**Assistant Registrar - Becca Lupton - OUTGOING**

**VP of Competition & NSYSA Club Representative – Doug Ross & Beth Ross**

**Field Coordinator/Scheduler – Cher West-Albright**

**Referee Coordinator – VACANT (U10 & below) – Cher Albright (U11 & above)**

**Equipment & Supply Coordinator – Chad Witheridge**

**Coaching Coordinator – VACANT**

**Public Relations – Jeni Banks**

**Fundraising Coordinator – VACANT**

**Summer Camp Coordinator – VACANT**

**Photo Coordinator – VACANT**

**Uniform Coordinator – VACANT**

If you are interested in volunteering for one of these roles or in any other capacity, please let us know! Email Jeni @ [registrar@jcsoccerclub.org](mailto:registrar@jcsoccerclub.org).



### **Consent to Release Photo/Image**

I acknowledge that JC Soccer Club (JCSC) representatives may take and use: photographs and/or digital images of my child for use on JCSC website and in news releases and/or promotional materials as follows: printed publications or materials, electronic publications, or websites.

I acknowledge that I have the right to request the removal of any photo of my child published on the JCSC website by contacting the webmaster.

I agree that my child's name and identity: may be revealed in descriptive text or commentary in connection with the image(s). I authorize the use of these images without compensation to me.

All negatives, prints, and digital reproductions shall be the property of JCSC.

If I do not want my child's photo shared, I will contact the JCSC board.

### **Team Formation Policy**

1. Players with a confirmed medical condition may only play down with doctor's note, appropriate forms filled out, and NSYSA/WSYSA approval. This process must be followed each year that a playdown is requested.
2. Players may play up under certain circumstances:
  - a. If a player's correct age group has enough players and there is space on the older team, a player may play up at parent's request and with board approval.
  - b. If a team is not available in the player's age group and there is space on the older team, a player may be given the option to play up.
  - c. Age groups may be combined if needed to fill out a team. In this case, the team would play at the age level of the oldest player.
  - d. If a player's parent is the coach of an older team, that player would have the option of playing up.
3. A player may not play up if the player's appropriate age group needs players, except in cases stated above.
4. Players may only play up one age level, except in extreme circumstances subject to board discretion.
5. If there are too many players for a given team, priority is given to players in order of when their registration was received. Coaches' children are exempt from this rule.
6. Players are not guaranteed the same team make-up or coaches of previous years.
7. Coaches may not pick and choose players for their teams.

### **JCSC refund policy:**

Full refund if requested before registration deadline less a \$10 processing fee (June 30<sup>th</sup> for fall, Feb 15<sup>th</sup> for spring). A full refund will be issued if a player cannot be placed on a team

50% of registration fee will be refunded if requested after registration closing date up to Sept 1<sup>st</sup> for fall and March 1<sup>st</sup> for spring. No refunds after Sept 1<sup>st</sup> for fall season and March 1<sup>st</sup> for spring season. Late fees are non-refundable.

## **Code of Conduct for the JC Soccer Club**

### **PURPOSE**

In an effort to provide participants with a healthy, safe, and developmental athletic environment that encourages fair play, effort, teamwork and sportsmanship, JC Soccer Club (JCSC) supports a Code of Conduct for players, parents, coaches, game officials, team officials, league administrators and spectators. This policy requires that a sportsmanlike and developmentally positive atmosphere exist before, during and after all JCSC sanctioned events.

### **POLICY**

All JCSC players, coaches, team officials, league administrators, parents and guardians are expected to conduct themselves in a respectful and sportsmanlike manner at all times before, during and after JCSC sanctioned events. Good conduct is expected to extend to game officials, spectators, as well as to opposing players, coaches and parents. The following is JCSC's Code of Conduct:

### **PARENTS & SPECTATORS**

I will not force any child to participate in youth soccer. I understand children are involved in organized sports for their enjoyment. Make it fun!

I will recognize and appreciate the importance of volunteer coaches. I will remember that they make personal sacrifices to support youth sports and will regularly communicate with and support them.

I will place skill development and the emotional and physical well-being of my player ahead of a personal desire to win.

I will encourage my child to play by the rules understanding that children learn best by example. In this spirit, I will applaud the good plays of both teams.

I will remember that youth soccer is for youth, not adults.

I will counsel my player on the importance of treating coaches, officials and other players with courtesy and respect.

I will endeavor to learn the rules of youth soccer and the policies of JCSC.

I will refrain from openly disputing any decision by an official.

I will refrain from using demeaning, obscene or vulgar language in a boisterous manner to anyone at any time.

I will refrain from visually displaying any sign of dissatisfaction with an official's decision.

I will refrain from taunting players, coaches, officials or other spectators by means of baiting, ridiculing, threat of physical violence or actual physical violence.

I will refrain from any behavior determined by coaches, game officials, or league administrators to be detrimental to the game.

### **COACHES**

I will place the emotional and physical well-being of my players ahead of a personal desire to win.

I will treat each player as an individual, remembering the large range of emotional and physical development abilities for their age group.

I will review and practice the basic first aid principles needed to treat injuries of my players.  
I will do my best to organize practices that are fun and challenging for all my players.  
I will lead by example in demonstrating fair play and sportsmanship to all my players.  
I will be knowledgeable of the rules of soccer and JCSC and I will teach these rules to my players.  
I will ensure that all players receive fair and equal play time.  
I will refrain from openly disputing any decision by an official.  
I will refrain from using demeaning, obscene or vulgar language in a boisterous manner to anyone at any time.  
I will refrain from visually displaying any sign of dissatisfaction with an official's decision.  
I will refrain from any behavior that incites officials, players, or spectators.

## **PLAYERS**

I will place skill development and the best interests of my team and teammates ahead of a personal desire to win.  
I will conduct myself with safety in mind at all times, using all equipment for its intended purpose only. I will be particularly mindful of goals which if not used properly can cause serious injury or death.  
I will treat all coaches, officials and other players with courtesy and respect at all times.  
I will endeavor to learn the rules of youth soccer and the policies of JCSC.  
I will refrain from openly disputing or arguing any decision by an official  
I will refrain from using demeaning, obscene or vulgar language and/or gestures at any time, including any swearing, even if the language/gesture is not directed at a particular person.  
I will refrain from visually demonstrating any sign of dissatisfaction with an official's decision. I will refrain from displaying any unsportsmanlike conduct toward any player.

## **Failure to follow this Code of Conduct will result in the following consequences:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Offense – Warning
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Offense – One Game Suspension
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Offense – 3 – 5 Game Suspension
- 4<sup>th</sup> Offense – Expulsion from the program for the season

## **RELEASE AND CONSENT**

I, the parent/legal guardian for the registrant, a minor, give my approval for the registrant's participation including any soccer related activities and transportation to and from any soccer related activities. The registrant and both of his/her parents agree to abide by the rules of the United States Youth Soccer Association (USYSA), The Washington State Youth Soccer Association (WSYSA), North Sound Youth Soccer Association (NSYSA), and the affiliated organizations and sponsors. We also agree to abide by

the rules of sportsmanship adopted by USYSA, WYS and the RESPECT campaign, NSYSA, and/or the JC Soccer Club (JCSC). I understand that participation in JCSC is contingent upon following these rules. I understand that soccer involves the possibility of physical injury. I assume all risks and hazards incidental to such participation including transportation, and I do hereby waive, release and agree to hold harmless JCSC, board members, organizers, sponsors, supervisors, participants, coaches, field owners and operators, and persons transporting my child to and from activities for any claim arising out of an injury to my child, whether as the result of negligence or for any other cause. I further authorize the coach, assistant coach, and/or team parents, acting as agents for the undersigned to consent to medical, hospital, surgical, dental or other emergency care. I will furnish a certified birth certificate of the registrant to JCSC upon request.

# I will help!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Team: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

I am willing to:

Fill a board position such as:

\_\_\_\_\_

Be my team's parent liaison

Help in a support role or another way, such as:

\_\_\_\_\_

Please return this form before you leave.