

# FARMINGTON 500

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to Farmington 500 Soccer.

If you are new to our program, welcome aboard. You and your child are about to begin an exciting chapter of your life, hopefully one that will bring to you new friends, fun, and exciting experiences. If you have been part of our program, welcome back to another new season!

The Farmington 500 began as an idea in a small town barbershop in 1952. It has evolved into one of the most successful youth organizations anywhere. Our programs are run solely by volunteers. Through these programs we try to implant ideals of good sportsmanship, teamwork, honesty, courage, loyalty, and fair play, so that players will be finer, stronger, and happier youth who will grow to be good, clean, healthy adults.

The following pages in this packet are designed to help inform you about our program. It also contains information about how you, as a parent, can make the programs better. We look forward to developing a long-lasting friendship with you and your child. Best of luck this season.

#### FARMINGTON 500 CONTACTS

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We hope you and your child receive all the benefits our programs have to offer. See you on the field!

Sincerely,

Brad Turner, Soccer Director soccer@farmington500.org

### **PROGRAM INFORMATION**

The Farmington 500 soccer program is for children aged 4-12.

#### DIVISIONS

- U6 Division 4-5 year olds
- U8 Division 6-7 year olds
- U10 Division 8-9 year olds
- U12 Division 10-12 year olds

Age to determine what age division a child will be in is based upon their birth year. It does not matter what month they were born in.

#### LOCATION

· All divisions will play at Vision Park on Paulson Road in Farmington.

#### COSTS

- U6 Division \$50
- U8 Division \$60
- U10 Division \$70
- U12 Division \$70

#### SCHEDULE\*

Opening day is set for Saturday, September 11th, however Saturday, August 28th will serve as Vision Park Clean Up Day. The season concludes on October 30th for the U6 & U8 Divisions, while the season ends on November 6 for the U10 & U12 Divisions.

#### SPORTSMANSHIP

Good sportsmanship is a requirement for all players, coaches, officials and spectators. While teaching soccer is a key component to our program, our coaches will also strive to teach your child how to win with humility and lose gracefully. We will have a zero tolerance policy on players talking negatively to officials, opposing players, coaches and teammates. Any player that violates this policy will be taken out of the game immediately and perhaps asked to take a lap or two for the team. It's important to us to teach your child how to play the sport of soccer the right way, but it's more important for us to teach them how to be a good sport.

#### FUNDRAISING

The Farmington 500 depends greatly on fund raising to help run its programs. All players & parents are expected to participate in all fund raisers. During Soccer season, there are fund raisers which will be coordinated through your team parent. The success of the fund raisers depends upon everyone's involvement. We have Tag Day or other fundraisers and the concessions stand which your participation in helping out with is required. Every family is required to help work the concession stand. Dates and times that are required to be covered by your child's team will be determined once the game schedule has been finalized. There are also other fundraisers that vary from year to year. Your support and help is always appreciated!

#### VISION PARK CLEAN UP DAY: AUGUST 28th

Parents are required to help clean the area where your children will play. Please bring rakes, shovels, trucks, garbage bags or barrels, paint brushes, paint buckets and anything else that would be helpful. If you are unsure if something could be helpful please reach out to your coach or the program director. Please report to the field at 9:15 am and we will be starting at 9:30 am.

#### **OPENING DAY: SEPTEMBER 11th**

All Players are required to wear shin pads. Cleats are recommended for all players and required for U10 and above. Coaches will be contacting each team with their game time for opening day once the schedule is completed. Contact the director for the age group your child is playing in with any questions.

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

#### WHERE DOES MY REGISTRATION FEE GO?

The Farmington 500 is a non-profit organization which relies upon sponsors and fundraising to run its various programs. Your registration fee goes a long way to help us to continue to run our programs. The Farmington 500 works hard to keep our registration fees as some of the lowest in the area. Soccer registration fees go towards paying for referees, safety equipment, soccer equipment, facility maintenance, paint, field mowing, and many more things. If you'd like more information as to what we do with registration fees please seek out a board member as they can answer any questions you may have. Board members are listed on Page 1.

#### WHERE DO I GO WITH MY CONCERNS?

First and foremost, you should always go to your child's coach with any concerns. If the coach doesn't have the answers to your questions or does not address your concern properly, then you should see the Soccer Director, Brad Turner. The director is responsible for all league activities. If the Soccer director doesn't have the answers to your questions or does not address your concern to your satisfaction please seek out a member of the 500 Board of Director's and ask to discuss it with someone. Contact information for the Director and the Farmington 500 Board is listed on Page 1.

#### FARMINGTON 500 WAIVER - THIS MUST BE SIGNED AND RETURNED -

I/We the parent(s) or guardian(s) of the above named child hereby authorize and approve the child's participation in any and all supervised Farmington 500 activities during the current season and agree to furnish a certified birth certificate for the child upon request of league officials.

I/We assume all risks of injury and illness (ex: communicable diseases such as MRSA, influenza and COVID-19), both known and unknown, even if arising from the negligence of the releasees or others, from activities involved in this program. These risks could be significant, potentially life-threatening, and while particular rules, equipment and personal discipline may reduce these risks, the risks of serious injury and illness do exist.

I/We assume all risks and hazards incidental to the child's participation and supervised Farmington 500 activities including, without limitation, any and all risks and hazards arising out of transportation to and from such activities.

I/We willingly agree to comply with the stated and customary terms and conditions for participation. If, however, I observe any unusual significant hazard during my presence or participation, I will remove myself from participation and bring such to the attention of the nearest official immediately.

I/We acknowledge that I am aware that there are risks to me of exposure to directly or indirectly arising out of, contributed to, by, or resulting from: an outbreak of any and all communicable disease, including but not limited to, the virus "severe acute respirator syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2)", which is responsible for Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) and/or any mutation or variation thereof.

I/We do hereby release, acquit and discharge the Farmington 500 and the organizers, sponsors, supervisors, participants and persons transporting the child to or from such activities from any claims, demands, actions, causes of action, damages, costs, loss of services, expenses and compensation on account of or in any way arising out of such activities except to the extent that it may be covered by accident or liability insurance.

I/We do hereby agree to return, upon request or within thirty (30) days of the end of the current season (whichever occurs first), the uniform and other equipment issued to the child in as good condition as when received except the normal wear and tear. Upon failure to return the uniform or other equipment as provided above, I/We agree to be responsible for the cost of replacement for the uniform/equipment.

I/We understand there are no dogs allowed and no smoking, smokeless tobacco use, e-cigarettes, vapor use, chewing tobacco or any other product that might be considered smoking allowed anywhere on the Farmington 500 property and doing so will result in potentially being asked to leave the property.

I/We acknowledge that our child/children's photos may be taken throughout the season or while on any property that Farmington 500 activities are taking place and posted to the Farmington 500 website or any other form of social media.

Registration fee refunds are at the discretion of the Farmington 500 board and on a per case basis. Refunds requested within two weeks of opening day or after will be subject to an equipment fee.

I/We agree to the terms listed above and also to participate in league fundraisers, tag day events and will work the concession stand when asked by my/our child's team mom... Failure to participate will be a game suspension.