

## **VOLUNTEER COACHES & HELPERS**

We want to take a moment to express our sincere appreciation for the **parent volunteers** who selflessly give their time and effort to coach their child's team. Without their dedication and commitment, we wouldn't be able to offer affordable recreational soccer programs. At BNSC and ASCU, **all of our coaches are parent volunteers** who have different levels of soccer experience, but they share a passion for providing a positive and fun learning experience for the kids. So, we ask that you respect and appreciate their time and sacrifice.

We believe that there is no better way to bond with your child than to get involved in their interests and activities. That's why we encourage all parents to consider volunteering as a coach or assistant coach for their child's team.

We understand that everyone has a busy schedule, and that's why we provide a common curriculum called the "Skill of the Week," which ensures that all teams work on the same basic skill each week. In our house league, we prioritize the development of all players, coaches, and referees.

Thank you to all our parent volunteers who have made a positive impact on our soccer community.

## **ROLE OF A VOLUNTEER COACH / HELPER**

As a volunteer parent soccer coach, you are responsible for providing a safe and enjoyable learning environment for the players on your team. Your duties may include:

- Coaching during games: During games, you will be responsible for coaching your team, making strategic decisions, and encouraging good sportsmanship, and organizing line changes.
- Being aware of and helping your team learn and execute the skill of the week prior to each game.
- Planning and leading team practices: You will be responsible for planning and

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leading your team's practices, ensuring that they are fun, challenging, and age appropriate. (We have online support that can help make this easy)

- Communicating with parents: You will be responsible for communicating regularly with parents, providing updates on games and practices, and addressing any concerns they may have.
- And most importantly, setting a positive example: As a coach, you will be a role
  model for your players. You will be expected to set a positive example by
  demonstrating good sportsmanship, treating all players, other coaches, and
  referees with respect, and following the rules of the game.

We recognize that being a volunteer parent soccer coach is a big commitment, and we are here to support you every step of the way. Our trained staff and referees are always available to assist you with coaching techniques, skill of the week drills, and game strategies. We appreciate your dedication to helping keep the cost of soccer affordable and for providing your time and energy to help your child's team succeed.

Thank you again for being an essential part of our soccer community!

## **Conflict Resolution**

While coaching, should a disagreement arise with a referee's call, or a conflict with another coach, or a parent, we ask that you handle the situation calmly and professionally. It is important to remember that the game is about the children and their enjoyment and development in the sport. As a coach, it is your responsibility to set a positive example for the players and to maintain a respectful and sportsmanlike environment. We encourage you to communicate respectfully and constructively to resolve any issues and seek assistance from the appropriate channels if necessary, such as the league or organization's leadership (our Field Supervisor), to ensure a positive experience for all involved.

Please remember everyone has a different vantage point and everyone is learning and doing their best. Recreational House League is where EVERYONE learns!