

Braden River Soccer Club (BRSC)
Fall 2019 TOPSoccer Buddy/Coach Information Sheet

• **Program Schedule, Format, Other**

- Sundays, 12:00 - 2:00 PM, running Oct. 20 until Dec. 15 (8 weeks, skipping Nov. 24), meeting at the covered picnic Pavilion. You will get 3 hours volunteer time each day you attend. If you attend all 8 weeks there is a 6 hour bonus for a total of 30 hours.
- PHOTO DAY: We will have a photographer taking both team and individual pictures on November 3. We will include Buddies in the team photos, and some athletes may want their Buddy in their individual photo.
- Inclement Weather: Unless there is a downpour on Saturday night/ Sunday morning, please come out to the fields. We follow the “30/30” rule, which is if lightning is accompanied by thunder heard within 30 seconds, the fields are cleared for 30 minutes.

• **Top 10 Things To Remember!**

1. IMPORTANT: You are expected to attend EACH WEEK of the program.
2. Please, please, please arrive on time. This means 12:00, not 12:05.
3. Remember to sign in each week. Tell me and your athlete (and/ or their parents) if you know in advance that you cannot attend a future week.
4. Buddies will be provided a red t-shirt to wear. Coaches will wear a white coaches shirt. Do NOT wear sandals or Crocs; gym shoes or cleats.
5. Leave cell phones in the car or at home. We will have a box to store phones during the program if you must have it nearby.
6. Kneel or bend down to be ‘on level’ with your athlete for more effective verbal and non-verbal communication as much as possible.
7. Pay attention to what your athlete is doing during scrimmages and assist as needed. Watch for appropriate behavior and cheer them on.
8. Notify me and an athlete’s parent ASAP if they do something considered ‘inappropriate.’ This includes cursing, pushing, tripping, pulling hair, spitting, kicking the ball at someone else. We will deal with the issue.
9. Let me know if there is an ongoing problem with your athlete, and you are getting frustrated. Pairing an athlete and a Buddy is not a perfect process, and if we need to switch or double-team, we can do that.
10. Smile, laugh, and have a good time. These children (and their parents) are glad to have this opportunity to participate in a sports program.

Questions? Email drobinson@fysa.com or call 941-704-5470 (mobile).

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