

DANVILLE AREA SOCCER ASSOCIATION

Spring LEAGUE POLICIES & PROCEDURES



Welcome to our Spring Soccer Season of the Danville Area Soccer Association

The Purpose of spring soccer is to provide the area children with another opportunity for a game that promotes healthy exercise, beneficial teamwork and sportsmanship lessons.

Additionally, offer children and families a soccer option before the onset of summer baseball and softball. To heighten soccer awareness in the area and expand our friendships across all communities and to get ready for the more competitive fall season. Spring soccer is a great opportunity for new and returning players with passion to play soccer, develop skill, and maintain conditioning while having fun.

The Game, spring soccer by design is less competitive than our primary fall season. The goal is to have the athletes play the game without the pressure of scores, wins or losses, seeding, tournament, referees,...etc. Also provide them the opportunity to become leaders on the field of play (decision making), calling their own game (honesty), and follow the much simplified game rules.

The Teams, are composed of players within the appropriate age group throughout vermillion county and beyond. All genders & players will be combined to create five Co-Ed age groups: U6, U8, U10, U12 & U14. Teams will be balanced based on age and skill to the best of our ability. Players within the same geographical area will be kept together as much as possible. To expand our friendships across all communities will allow for players to be integrated regardless of the town in which they live in.

The Field Monitor: (coach) is an adult and responsible family member. An ambassador to DASA that is responsible for the wellbeing and the safety of the kids, provide the opportunity for equal play time, and keep track of game time. Field monitors can also conduct optional but encouraged practice sessions. Field monitors must enforce league policies and follow guidelines.

The Practices: Due to the smaller spring league by design, practices are optional but encouraged. The league recommends practice sessions 30 minutes before game time on Saturdays only, followed by scheduled game. This is necessary to allow for large variability of players from different geographical areas. Practice sessions, partnered with a league appointed expert when one is available to work on physical conditioning and tactical and technical drills. All practices are managed by Field Monitors.

The Referees: No league provided referees. Players make their own calls, under the guidance of the field monitors.

We will employ the following guidelines to maximize everyone's experience:

1. Teams will play 5V5 with no goalie in U6 and 6V6 with goalie in U8, U10, U12 & U14.
2. All games will be played on smaller fields to maximize ball touches/passes and promote team work
3. Game durations: U6 & U8 (4-10 min quarters), U10 (2-20 min halves), U12 (2-25 min halves), and U14 (2-30 min halves).
4. Each division will have a 5 min break at halftime; U6 & U8 will have 2 minutes break between quarters.
6. There will be slightly different game rules applied –
 - a. No off-sides, in any age group
 - b. Throw-ins are permitted
 - c. Score only from your offensive side of midfield.
 - d. Running clocks – no stoppage.

Please refer to our website (www.danvillesoccer.org) for all other information.

Thank you. For the safety of our players, NO DOGS ALLOWED ON GAME DAYS