

# KCYSA 2011 GENERAL INFORMATION

## Game Days

Mondays – U-8 (6 & 7 yr olds) & U-15 (12, 13 & 14 yr olds)

Tuesdays – U-19 (15-18 yr olds)

Wednesdays – U-10 (8 & 9 yr olds) & U-12 (10 & 11 yr olds)

Thursdays will be used by all age groups for make-up games so that the regular season can draw to a close by August 4<sup>th</sup>.

All teams play in Algoma, Kewaunee, and Luxemburg on a rotating basis.

Games will begin the first full week of June and end August 4th with the year-end tournament on 8/6 & 8/7.

Practice dates and times are set by each **coach**, beginning after May 15<sup>th</sup>.

**\*\* Five-Year-Olds dates and times are set by the coaches in each community, beginning after June 1. \*\***

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## IMPORTANT NOTES:

- Registration forms **MUST** be entered online or postmarked no later than April 1<sup>st</sup> to guarantee team placement. *New this year: A Goal of 100 % on-line registration. There will be a \$5.00 fee added to paper registrations.* Visit our website for more information and to register: [www.kcysa.org](http://www.kcysa.org).
- Players may move up one age group in order to play with an immediate family member. There will be no downward play. **Requests for player move up are to be placed with the registration form.**
- SAY rules state that **all** children **must** play **at least ½ of every game**. If you have any concerns about this please contact a board member.

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Team rosters will be prepared via a blind draw for all ages. Carpooling **will not** be taken into consideration for team rosters. There can be no switching of teams after team rosters are prepared.

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## REFUND POLICY

There will be **NO** refunds!!! Please make sure you understand this when you sign up your child.

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The K.C.Y.S.A. Board of Directors reserves the right to enforce and/or change the above rules as deemed necessary. The Board will have final say in these matters. Special requests will be honored if they are for the good of the organization as a whole.

## Important Parent Information for Summer Soccer Program

**Ethics code:** Copies of the code are available on our web site. It is your responsibility to understand that this pertains to you, your friends and family watching the game, and your child, the player. **THIS WILL BE ENFORCED.** A child may not play if both the parent and the player do not sign the code of ethics. Your child's coach will ask you and each player to sign the Ethics code prior to the first game.

We need **volunteers** from Algoma, Luxemburg, and Kewaunee to help in the following areas:

Field Maintenance      Coaches                  Picture day                  5-year-old program                  Tournament                  Fundraising

Please see a registration specialist at the time you enroll your child for a description of what is involved with these positions.

**NOTE:** If your child plays WIAA soccer, he/she cannot participate in KCYSA soccer until the WIAA season is complete for him/her. They will be assigned to a team, but will not be able to practice or play a game until they are done with WIAA. We are working with the schools involved to make sure we are aware of their schedules. If your child does play KCYSA soccer while also playing WIAA soccer, the WIAA games will have to be forfeited.

**Games called for Bad Weather.** This can ONLY be done by the field head referee. No coaches or players can make the determination to cancel a game due to inclement weather. It is always your right as a parent to withhold your child from play if you feel it necessary. Normal forfeiture rules apply if a team does not have the minimum amount of players at the start of a game that has not been officially cancelled by the head referee. Please call your coach if you are in doubt or show up at the field at the time of the scheduled game and have your coach ask the head referee if the game has been cancelled. Make up times for cancelled games will be set by the Director of Scheduling for the organization. Please see the coach's rulebook for additional information on game cancellations. Please note: KCYSA does not currently govern any of the fields we utilize. For this reason, games may be cancelled if the organization that owns the fields decides to do so.

**Tournament:** Our KCYSA year end tournament will be held August 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. This involves all teams in our U10, U12, U15, and U19 age groups. Please keep this in mind if your child plays in one of these groups. Schedules of game times will be distributed by coaches when they become available.

**Adult Coaches are needed:** This requires a small investment of your time, but is vital to the success of the soccer program in Kewaunee County. The game of soccer is not complicated, and new coaches receive training on the rules of the game. So even if you have no soccer knowledge or coaching experience, please consider being a coach. If you are interested in making many kids VERY HAPPY, then this job is for you!! Please see a registration specialist at the time you enroll your child for play. We will discuss training dates/times/locations at a later date.

**Adult and Teen Referees are needed:** (ANYONE over the age of 14 can be a referee) If you have a love for the game and kids, THIS IS THE JOB FOR YOU!! Please see a registration specialist at the time you enroll your child for play. We can discuss times/dates/locations for referee rules training.

**Practices:** Your child's coach will be contacting you after May 15 with dates, times, and locations for your child's practice schedule. It is very important for not only your child's individual skills but for your child's entire team to learn to play the game together. A child who misses practice, not only loses the opportunity to develop skills for passing, dribbling, etc., but he/she also loses out on the opportunity of learning to do this as a team. Discuss with your coach to see if alternatives can be worked out.

**Your child's Equipment:** **Shin guards that are fully covered by a tall knee sock. Tennis shoes or approved soccer cleats. Cleats at the toe are not allowed!** Please be aware that SAY does not allow baseball shoes with the toe ground off to be worn. **NO METAL. NO shorts with baggy pockets, loops, or rivets. NO jewelry** (including earrings) and **NO hard hair accessories.** If you are in doubt if something is legal, do not use it. Items must be completely removed before the player enters the field – no taping allowed – these are SAY rules. Wait until after soccer season for piercing! No splints or casts – see your coach's handbook for details.

Please see your registration specialist for a listing of your KCYSA Board Members for the current soccer season.

SAY National's philosophy is simple; kids are playing soccer to HAVE FUN. Ethics are something that we all must abide by to achieve this goal. Every player plays at least one-half of every game unless for disciplinary action as stated in the coaches rulebook. Let's see that every child gets the chance to experience a fun and exciting program by volunteering to help, by abiding by the Code of Ethics, and by being the best player and parent/spectator that is possible!

Please check out our new and improved web site – [www.kcysa.org](http://www.kcysa.org)