

## Advanced Soccer Academy Fall 2009

Dear Parents,

I am excited to announce the schedule for the fall 2009 soccer academy. There are a couple of changes you should be aware of. First, our club is in the process of changing our name to the Tuscaloosa Soccer Club. We will have our practices and games at Sokol North this year. We have had to raise our fees \$75 to cover the additional field cost but we believe the nicer facilities will be well worth the additional fee.

### **COACHING STAFF;**

John Vincent, John Gillis, Fred Apiah,  
Shane Reeves, Hugh Lee, John Giggie, Bryan Fuller .

**Academy Fee \$250**

**Governors cup \$70** *OPTIONAL*

**Uniform \$40** *Only need one a year. Springs uniforms should still work*

Street soccer is free and open to anyone wanting to play.

### **STREET SOCCER 5v5**

Saturday Aug 15, 22, 29 9:00 am Nations complex

Thursday Sept 3 5v5 tournament 5:00-8:00

Friday Sept 4 5v5 tournament 5:00-8:30

### **Pre Camp (goalkeeper striker) Included in academy fee**

20-Sep 3:00-4:00 U9/10 4:00-5:30 U11, 12

21-Sep 5:00-6:00 U9/10 6:00-7:30 U11, 12

### **Sunday Monday Training**

#### **Sunday**

27-Sep 3:00-4:00 U9/10 4:00-5:00 U11, 12

4-Oct 3:00-4:00 U9/10 4:00-5:00 U11, 12

18-Oct 3:00-4:00 U9/10 4:00-5:00 U11, 12

25-Oct 3:00-4:00 U9/10 4:00-5:00 U11, 12

1-Nov 3:00-4:00 U9/10 4:00-5:00 U11, 12

8-Nov 3:00-4:00 U9/10 4:00-5:00 U11, 12

#### **Monday**

21-Sep 5:00-6:00 U9/10 6:00-7:00 U11, 12

28-Sep 5:00-6:00 U9/10 6:00-7:00 U11, 12

19-Oct 5:00-6:00 U9/10 6:00-7:00 U11, 12

26-Oct 5:00-6:00 U9/10 6:00-7:00 U11, 12

### **GAMES**

#### **Monday**

5-Oct 5:00 6:00 7:00

19-Oct 5:00 6:00 7:00

#### **Thursday**

22-Oct 5:00 6:00 7:00

29-Oct 5:00 6:00 7:00

5-Nov 5:00 6:00 7:00

**JAMBOREE** Please leave Oct 2, 3, 4 and 18 open.

We will have two or three jamboree opportunities to play other clubs during the season. These dates are currently being scheduled. We will communicate the dates as soon as we have them set. **Please leave Oct 2, 3, 4 and 18 open.** We are informing several clubs we are available to play on these dates.

**Tournament** Governors Cup November 13, 14, 15 (optional)

*As always we want to know of anyone who has difficulty paying.*

*However we are only offering half scholarships this season, tournaments and uniform are not available to Scholarship. We do have members in the club who are interested in helping pay for anyone who needs assistance. Please contact John Gillis to discuss options. 292 9818*



## **Tuscaloosa Soccer Club**

### **Codes of Conduct for Players, Parents and Coaches**

#### ***Introduction***

The Tuscaloosa Soccer club sponsors youth soccer activity with the goal of providing our children an opportunity to develop superior life skills through team play, sportsmanship, top competition, and hard work. Our mission is to provide TSC youth the opportunity to play soccer at the highest level commensurate with their individual ability, potential, and interest. An emphasis on fair play and respect for all participants is a primary element of our club's mission. To better achieve that mission, we provide the following Codes of Conduct for all TSC players, parents, and coaches. These Codes of Conduct are a covenant between TSC players, parents, and coaches to abide by the rules and regulations of the game, as well as to maintain a cooperative attitude and uphold the ideals of fair play and sportsmanship. These Codes express our core values and goals. It is essential they be honored and followed.

The Codes of Conduct can be summarized in the following three principles: (1) Demonstrating a positive attitude; (2) Setting a good example; and (3) Maintaining good relationships with all youth soccer participants - including officials, opponents, and our own teams' players, parents, and coaches.

#### **1. Demonstrating a positive attitude**

Players, parents, and coaches are expected to show a positive, respectful attitude for everyone involved in the sport. Criticism and disrespect for officials, opponents, coaches or fans undermine the purpose of sport and encourage behavior contrary to the spirit of the game and the mission of TSC

#### **2. Setting a good example**

Each person associated with TSC is accountable for his/her own behavior at all times on or off the field of play. Parents, coaches and other adults should remember that children learn by example - it is up to the adults to set good examples.

TSC will not tolerate conduct that is detrimental to the sport, the participants, or the community. Such conduct includes: Vulgarity by coaches, players or parents; harassment or belittling of officials, coaches or players; verbal abuse, threats or physical violence toward anyone before, during or after a match; and the taunting of opposing players, coaches and parents.

*We require thorough self-restraint by all participants - both players and adults.*

*Teams must exercise appropriate control over those who fail to control themselves.*

### **3. Maintaining good relationships**

**Officials** - The referee's job is a difficult one. All referees are human and they do make mistakes. Parents or players who believe their team has been treated unfairly or has been assigned an unqualified referee should speak to their coach after the game. Coaches should inform the appropriate club officials about blatant officiating problems. Managers should make reports through appropriate channels, including mail evaluations where available.

In accordance with FIFA laws, verbal abuse toward a referee can result in a red card and ejection for the player, coach or parent. Referees have the authority to suspend play if a coach does not control his players and parents/supporters.

**Opponents** - Players and coaches are required to maintain a sense of fair play and be respectful of opposing players, coaches and fans at all times. Sportsmanship begins with respect. Without it, the positive competitive environment, which should be a perfect classroom for learning the values of soccer, is completely undermined. Occasionally we will encounter opponents who do not share our values and high standards. If we allow ourselves to be drawn down to their level, we will have lost regardless of the final score.

**Our Own Team** - In an environment where our children are competing not only against other teams but also frequently against each other, it can be difficult to control jealousies and rivalries. A successful team resembles a family in that members put their own needs second, behind the greater good of the team. Great care must be taken not to undermine the coaches' authority. As in most cases, parental example is all-important.

## ***Tuscaloosa Soccer Club - Player's Code of conduct***

It is a privilege to play on a soccer team. As a TSC player, I will:

- Play the game for the game's sake, and not just to please my parents or coach.
- Be modest and generous when I win and gracious when I lose.
- Respect the game of soccer and its laws, learn these laws and try to follow them, and play the game fairly.
- Work for the good of my team and give my best effort at all times.
- Show respect for the authority of the referee, even though I will sometimes disagree with his/her calls.
- Show good sportsmanship before, during, and after games. I understand that soccer is a game, and that the players on the other team are my opponents, not my enemies.
- Conduct myself with honor and dignity and treat other players as I would like to be treated.
- Help my parents and fans understand the laws of the game so they can watch and enjoy the game better. I will be sure they understand that dissent is not permitted in soccer.
- Control my temper and not retaliate, even if I believe I have been wronged.
- Not use or possess tobacco, alcohol, or illegal or performance-enhancing drugs.

### **Acknowledgement**

I have read, understand and hereby agree to abide by and support this WASA Player's Code of Conduct.

Today's date: \_\_\_\_\_

Player's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Player's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

TSC Team: \_\_\_\_\_

## ***Tuscaloosa Soccer Club - Parent's Code***

As a parent, you play a special role in the development of your daughter or son, and of his/her teammates. Your encouragement and good example will do more to ensure good sportsmanship and self-discipline than any other influence. The other team is the opponent, not the enemy, and should be treated with respect. While winning is important, playing well and fairly is the essence of the game.

### **1. Support your child**

Support your child by giving encouragement and showing interest in his/her team. Help your child work toward skill improvement and good sportsmanship in every game. Teach your child that hard work and an honest effort are often more important than victory.

### **2. Always be positive**

Children learn more by example than by criticism. Work to be a positive role model, and reinforce positive behavior in others. Applaud good plays by others on your child's team as well as good plays by the opposing team. Do not criticize any child's performance from the sidelines. Accept the results of each game. Teach your child to be gracious in victory and to turn defeat into victory by learning and working toward improvement.

### **3. Don't be a sideline coach or ref**

Refrain from coaching or refereeing from the sidelines. Parents who shout or scream from the sidelines often give inappropriate advice at the wrong time. The coach should be the only sideline voice. Remain well back from the sidelines and within the spectator area. You and your child will both enjoy the game more if you put some emotional distance between yourself and the field or play. Officials are symbols of fair play, integrity and sportsmanship - Do not openly question their judgment or honesty.

### **4. Demonstrate a positive attitude toward your opponents and their families**

Opponents are not enemies. Take care to show good hospitality at home and to represent West Alabama Soccer Association soccer in a positive way when visiting other clubs. Never allow yourself to be drawn into a verbal disagreement with opposing parents or coaches. No one has ever regretted letting "cooler heads prevail."

### **5. Remember that your child wants to have fun**

Your child is the one playing soccer, not you. Children must establish their own goals - to play the game for themselves. Take care not to impose unreasonable demands on your child. Let your children experience the fun of playing as well as the challenge of excelling.

I/we will set a good example to my/our child in his/her soccer development by adhering at all times to the following:

- We will not criticize the referee openly or directly, during or after games. Any criticism shall be done in writing, sent to my manager and my club representative, not verbally.
- We will give only positive feedback to players.

- We will cheer at all games within the spirit of fair play and shall do our best to cheer the effort regardless of the outcome. We will be mindful in “lopsided” game where cheering our own “winning” team might be misunderstood.
- We shall do our best to teach our players to become students of the game.
- We shall show the quality of our sportsmanship during and after each game and help our child remember to thank the referee after the match without regard to the result.
- We shall do our very best to have our child prepared for every game.
- We shall support the learning efforts of the players, the coaches, and the referees by demonstrating our patience.
- We understand that improper behavior at a game may result in a parent being asked to leave the field by the referee, a tournament official, or a club official so the coach does not receive a yellow card caution or a red card ejection due to the action of the parent spectator.
- We shall leave the coaching to the coach during the game. We shall not give our child instructions during the game.
- We understand that the leagues can, and will if necessary, suspend our individual privilege to watch our child play should we behave in a manner that is rude or otherwise offensive.
- We agree to do our best to have as much fun watching the game as the players should have playing the game.

## **Acknowledgement**

I have read, understand and hereby agree to abide by and support this WASA Parent’s Code of Conduct.

Today’s date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent’s name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent’s signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent’s signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Team name: \_\_\_\_\_

## ***Tuscaloosa Soccer Club - Coach's Code***

The TSC Coach's Code enumerates basic requirements, organized under four principles. They are: Setting a good example; keeping players safe; ensuring that all participants in TSC have a positive experience; and relating to game officials in an exemplary manner and encouraging players to do the same.

### **1. Setting a good example**

- The coach's example is powerful. If a coach insists on fair play, concentrates on players' enjoyment of the game and their overall, long term development, and supports the referee, players and parents will notice. If a coach discourages (or allows) players to play outside the rules, are overly concerned about the results, and/or criticize the referee or opposing coach, players and parents will also notice. Above all, children deserve a coach they can respect.
- Coaches, in all contact with TSC players, parents, officials and coaches, should strive to set an example of the highest ethical and moral conduct. Before, during, and after the game, they should be an example of dignity, patience and positive spirit.
- Before games, opposing coaches should meet and exchange greetings to set the proper tone for the game. After games, the teams and coaches should meet and congratulate each other in a sportsmanlike manner.
- Coaches should ensure that their players' soccer experience is one of fun and enjoyment, and improvement in skill (winning is only part of it). Players should never be yelled at, lectured or ridiculed for making mistakes or losing a game. Coaches should be generous with praise when it is deserved.
- Coaches should avoid any conduct which could be construed as physically or verbally abusive.
- Coaches should completely refrain from verbal dissent during a game with an opposing coach's bench.
- Coaches should honor all professional relationships with colleagues, associations, the media, officials and the public. Conflicts of interest and exploitation of these relationships must be avoided.

### **2. Keeping players safe**

Coaches should have the safety of the players in their charge as their first priority at all times.

Coaches should be familiar with the facility(ies) and fields on which their teams practice and play, and be

mindful of the levels of fitness and skill of each one of their players. Coaches should also be familiar with the Laws of the Game, current with principles of age-appropriate coaching, aware of applicable existing rules and regulations, and informed of the affairs of WASA and their league.

- Coaches should check players' equipment and playing facilities frequently. They should meet safety standards and be appropriate for the age and ability of players.
- Coaches should follow the advice of a physician when determining when an injured player is ready to play again. During a game, and in an absence of medical advice, coaches should err on the side of caution in permitting an injured player to return to play.

### **3. Creating a positive experience**

WASA wishes to ensure that games are fair, positive and enjoyable experiences for the children and adults involved. A soccer game should be friendly and unifying - a spirited social and athletic occasion for players, coaches, referees, and spectators.

- Coaches should require all players and spectators to adhere to the highest level of sportsmanship at all times. During the game, the coach is responsible for the sportsmanship of the players. If a player is carded or is disrespectful, irresponsible or overly aggressive, the coach should remove the player from the game at least long enough for him/her to calm down. Coaches should explain acceptable behavior to players and parents at a preseason meeting. Encourage parents to make positive comments about good play by either team. Prohibit them from yelling at players and the referee.

### **4. Relating to officials**

Coaches should demonstrate respect for the official and his/her role. Coaches can help referees improve by letting them concentrate on the game, accepting their inevitable, occasional mistakes, and offering constructive post-game comments.

- Before a game, coaches should introduce themselves to the referee. During the game, they should never address the referee except to request a substitution. After the game, they should thank the referee and ask players to do the same.
- A small disagreement should be discussed with the referee calmly after the game. For major complaints, or if the referee appeared to be unfair, biased, unfit, or incompetent, report opinions to the Director of Referees. Fill out and mail in the referee evaluation card after every game.

### **Acknowledgement**

I have read, understand and hereby agree to abide by and support this TSC Coach's Code of Conduct.

Today's date: \_\_\_\_\_

Coach's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Coach's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

TSC Team: \_\_\_\_\_





# **Alabama Youth Soccer**

A Division of ASA

## **PLAYER INFORMATION AND MEDICAL RELEASE FORM**

Player's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

U.S. Citizen: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ H.S. Attending \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Expected H.S. Graduation Yr: \_\_\_\_\_

### **EMERGENCY INFORMATION**

Father's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ email: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ email: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **In an emergency when parents cannot be reached, please contact:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies \_\_\_\_\_

Other medical conditions \_\_\_\_\_

Injuries in the past 12 months \_\_\_\_\_

Player's Physician \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Medical and/or Hospital Insurance Company \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Policy Holder \_\_\_\_\_ Policy # \_\_\_\_\_ Group # \_\_\_\_\_

### ***PLEASE COPY BOTH SIDES OF YOUR MEDICAL INSURANCE CARD & ATTACH TO THIS FORM***

#### **PARENT'S APPROVAL AND MEDICAL RELEASE**

Recognizing the possibility of physical injury associated with soccer and in consideration for the USSF/USYSA and its affiliates accepting the registrant for its soccer programs and activities (the "Programs"), I hereby release, discharge and/or otherwise indemnify the USSF/USYSA, its affiliated organizations and sponsors, their employees and associated personnel, including the owners of fields and facilities utilized for the Programs against any claim by or on behalf of the registrant as a result of the registrant's participation in the Programs and/or being transported to or from the same, which transportation I hereby authorize.

My son/daughter has received a physical examination by a physician and has been found physically capable of participating in the Programs. I hereby give my consent to have an athletic trainer and/or doctor of medicine or dentistry provide my son/daughter with medical assistance and/or treatment and agree to be responsible financially for the reasonable cost of such assistance and/or treatment.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Parents Printed name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Parents Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)



2008-2009 Competitive Soccer  
Registration Form



Player Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ School entering fall 2009 \_\_\_\_\_  
Age as of August 1, 2009: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail(s) – player: \_\_\_\_\_ parent: \_\_\_\_\_  
School Entering in Fall 2008 \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian's Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
Employer (Mother): \_\_\_\_\_ Employer (Father): \_\_\_\_\_  
Work Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cell Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone #'s: home: \_\_\_\_\_ work: \_\_\_\_\_ cell: \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE**

I hereby give my permission for (name of participant/child/ward) \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in this program/activity conducted by the Tuscaloosa County Park & Recreation Authority (PARA). I assume all risks and hazards incident to such activities and transportation to and from the same. I release, discharge, and acquit PARA and all of its agents, servants, employees, staff and personnel from and with respect to all claims, causes of action and rights of recovery which I have, or might have at any time in the future as a result to any property damage or bodily injury suffered by said child/ward during the course of any such activities. Additionally, I agree to indemnify and hold harmless PARA and the employees from and against any and all claims, suits, damages, judgements, attorney fees and expenses of every kind on account of property or bodily injury, including death, suffered or experience by me or my said child/ward occurring during, or in any way resulting from any of said activities, whether or not cause by a negligent acts (except as may be occasioned by gross or wanton employees) or omission of any sort by PARA employees. I authorize PARA and employees to render any medical care and treatment to my said child/ward deemed necessary with respect to any illness or injury occurring during any PARA activities. I fully understand that PARA has NO ACCIDENT or MEDICAL PAYMENT INSURANCE COVERAGE for the participant/child/ward and I agree to play all medical costs incurred if treatment is obtained. I understand that PARA assumes no responsibility or liability for lost, stolen, or misplaced items. I also give permission for PARA to take photographs and/or videos of my child during activity for publicity use. Furthermore, please take caution when sending valuable, sentimental items with child/ward to any activities. PARA accepts NO RESPONSIBILITY for lost or stolen items. This instrument is signed both on behalf of the individual and the child/ward.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*It is the policy of Tuscaloosa County Park & Recreation Authority that no person shall, on the basis of face, color, creed, religion, sex, age, national origin or disability be denied employment, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination in any program or activity.*

Left on Dirt  
Road at end of  
9th Ave

9th Ave

Soccer  
Fields

Will's Funeral  
Home

Orange  
Crate

Turn onto 9th Ave by  
**Will's Funeral** take  
road to dead end

Lurleen Wallace

WaterMelon Rd

WinnDixe  
TCBY

Mc Farland Blvd / 82

Black Warrior River

Black Warrior River

To Univeristy of Alabama

To Gordo / Tusc. Airport

