



Age Group Dynamics...

U6s...  Selfish
Self Centered
Short attention span
"Can be" Non-aggressive
May not want to be there
May have 'Dominant' player

U8s... **MOST CRITICAL AGE!**  Athletic ability starts to show
Still a bit selfish
More inclined towards "team play"
Still most interested in "Individual Success" Developing attention span

U10s...  Physical abilities differentiate
Want to be "team player"
Interested in "Group Success"
Eager to please...coach/parent
Better attention span

U12/14s...  Skill Differentiation - high
Increasing "Gender (Athletic) Differentiation"
Buddy-Buddy behavior (w/ Coach)
Team Success Important
Seeks approval