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PLEASANTVILLE YOUTH SOCCER CLUB:
Travel Soccer Parent Interest Meeting

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PLEASANTVILLE FOOTBALL CLUB
2 programs under 1 club serving our community:





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Pleasantville Youth Soccer Club (Travel)

- Volunteer driven
- U9 age group through HS
- Playing in more competitive league, competitive teams formed from tryouts
- Fair playing time, but may not always be even
- Two 90 minute practices per week, (1 weekday + 1 Saturday practice), one with professional trainer + goalkeeper training
- One game per week on Sundays, larger geographic radius than AYSO games

Pleasantville AYSO

- Volunteer driven
- Pre-K (U5) age group through HS
- No tryouts, balanced teams
- Even playing time
- Recreational league
- One practice per week on Saturdays' w/professional trainer
- U10 and above - one game per week on Sunday's
 - Games within Westchester, shorter radius



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PYSC (and WYSL) Expectations:

Behave, try hard, have fun.

- **Show up**
 - Honor your commitment to the team and your teammates.
 - Smaller teams in competitive league.
 - Respect for those that wanted a spot on the team and didn't get one.
- **Show good sportsmanship**
 - Kids and parents, coaches, and spectators alike - be respectful of each other, opponents, coaches and referees.
 - **Threats or abuse of any kind towards referees or opposing teams, parents, or coaches will not be tolerated and can result in banishment from attending games or expulsion from the league or our program.**
 - Many of our referees are children themselves and all are human beings that WILL make mistakes. Mistakes a part of sports and all must remember these are young children on the field.



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PYSC Practice details and schedules

- Practices:
 - Schedules carefully made in coordination with school and Dad's Club sports to avoid conflicts
 - 1 week night* typically 6:30 – 8:00 pm on Tues/Weds (fall), or Weds/Thurs/Friday (spring)
 - Girls teams one night, boys teams another
 - Under the lights during the fall
 - Goalkeeper training within the weeknight (sometimes Saturday) practice
 - 1 Saturday practice (times vary by team and season) announced just before the season (*see 1st bullet above....*)
 - Professional trainer provided for one practice per week, usually the weeknight (Saturday's for those that do not practice during the week, but still elect to use a trainer)



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WYSL Game details and schedules

- Schedules currently made by league scheduler.
- In a normal year, younger ages generally play no earlier than 11 am, no later than 6 pm.
- Multiple divisions within each age group for competitive balance
 - Seeding requests from coaches
 - Past performance
 - New teams (ex. U9) formed based upon seeding request and closer geographic proximity until team performance can be used
 - Rebalancing of divisions every season – both Fall and Spring



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PYSC Tryouts and Team Formation

- Tryouts sign-ups help us gauge the interest and tryout needs at each age
- Tryouts entirely run by our training partner, Eastern FC.
- Evaluations/ratings done by Eastern FC trainers and provided to the PFC Board.
- Teams formed based on the evaluations.
- Head Coaches selected by the board.
- Teams, players and coaches register with the league - *fees collected via **Got Soccer (new this year)** during registration).*



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PYSC Tryout timelines

- Tryout schedule posted after tryout needs identified, generally within a week after signup ends
- New teams (U9 age group):
 - Typically 2 separate Sunday sessions at Pace University in late May and early June
- Existing teams:
 - Typically during 2 weekday practice sessions (in place of practice) in late May/early June
- Players are encouraged, but not required, to attend BOTH tryout sessions
- Players selected will be notified generally right after the last game/event of the current season for each age group



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PYSC Volunteer Coaches:

- First time travel coaches are required to attend a WYSL orientation and a blended (classroom/on-field) coaches training course ideally before the fall season, but no later than the start of the Spring season, as well as some short online courses and a background check.
- **No-one** may be on the team sidelines during games, nor on practice fields without the required registration, training, and certification.



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PYSC Registration Fees:

- Exact fee will be determined prior to registration, but won't deviate much, if at all from last year (\$540 per player for the entire year)
 - Higher than AYSO due to higher league/registration fees, longer season - extra training, Goalkeeper training, gear, etc.
 - *Still very low compared to many of our neighboring towns' travel fees.*
 - Paid via credit card when registering
- Soccer balls and other required team equipment provided by the club to the team (this does **not** include player cleats, shin guards, etc.).
- First year players provided personalized backpacks from the club to carry their gear
- Warm-up tops or sweatshirts and other "Swag" provided by the club subsequent years



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PYSC Additional Parent Costs:

- Uniforms must be purchased separately.
 - Organized by the club and head coach (including number assignments), ordered directly by parents - cost is generally around \$150
- Player gear (cleats, shin guards, water bottles, etc.) NOT provided by the club
- Lost balls! While we do supply practice and game balls to each team, we do budget to replenish entire teams ball supply every year. Please keep track if your coach elects to have the kids hold onto their practice ball.



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Q & A

- Should I register for tryouts if I know my child will not be available for tryouts for one or both tryouts?
 - YES
 - Until we know the interest level at each group, we cannot assess which age groups will even need a tryout. It is entirely possible, and likely, that for some age groups, that interest level will closely meet the need for that age group and a tryout would not be necessary.



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Q & A

- How many players compete on the field for each age group?
 - U9 and U10: 7v7
 - U11 and U12: 9v9
 - U13 and up: 11v11



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Q & A

- How many games do we play and where are games held?
 - A WYSL season is generally either 9 or 10 games long, depending upon number of teams in the division.
 - WYSL seeks to find a balance between home and away games
 - Location of away games vary by age and division
 - Younger ages tend to be closer proximity until there are some results to start forming divisions based on performance, aiming for parity across divisions



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