

Hello U6 Soccer Families,

Welcome to Spring Soccer!!! My name is _____ and I will be your child's U6 Soccer Coach this Spring. I am so excited for the upcoming season.

I apologize in advance for the length of this email. There is a great deal of information that you will need for your child to have a successful start to Clinton Youth Soccer Fall Season.

Please reply to this email so that I know you received it. Thanks!

The first U6 practice/ game is scheduled for Saturday, April 1st, at 9:00 AM. We play on the South Meadow Fields across from Clinton High School. There is usually a dry erase board set up at the top of the hill that will direct you to your child's field. For the first game, please arrive about 5-10 min early to pick up your child's jersey.

The format for the U6 players is as follows: The first half an hour are multiple skill drills and the second half an hour is a game. **Please email me if your child is unable to attend a game.**

For every practice and game, every child must bring a **water bottle with their name** on it and wear their **team jersey, comfortable shorts, soccer cleats or sneakers, and shin guards covered by soccer socks. No child will be allowed to play without shin guards.** Please be aware that there are many types of cleats available to buy. Please do not purchase baseball cleats. When you purchase cleats for your child, they must be soccer cleats—they are the cleats without the toe cleat at the front of the shoe. A soccer ball is not required. If you would like to purchase a soccer ball to practice at home, we use size 3 balls.

In order to ensure safety for all of our children, please do not bring or wear:

- Jewelry – players will not be allowed to play with earrings, bracelets, necklaces or watches.
- Metal or hard plastic barrettes or headbands
- Leg or arm braces that have any metal showing
- Casts – players with hard casts will not be allowed to play
- Dogs – it is a Clinton school policy that no dogs are allowed on the field

In addition, in an effort to make CYS as safe as possible, all coaches are asked to take a quick online training course by the CDC on concussions called Heads Up. I would encourage you, as parents, to check it out. It contains valuable safety information for your child. Here is the link for the parent portion:

<http://www.cdc.gov/headsup/youthsports/parents.html>

Also, if there is any information that you need me to know about your child in order to make their Spring Soccer season a successful one, please let me know.

Our schedule of games should be attached to this email, but if it isn't, you can check out the Clinton Youth Soccer website for the list of games. If you have problems doing so, please contact me.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to email, call or text me. I'm looking forward to a great season!!

See you on the pitch!!!