

SAMPLE LETTER

Dear Parents & Players,

Welcome back the soccer fields. I'm sure you are all anxious to get back outside and play soccer.

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!

Opening Day is Saturday, September 11th at 10:30am or 12:00pm.

Please try to remember that although the way we play the game has changed the reason why we play the game has not..

Clinton Youth Soccer has been given permission to play on the South Meadow Fields (across from Clinton High School) as long as we are in compliance with the guidelines set forth by the Clinton Board of Health and Massachusetts Youth Soccer.

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1. Ensure that you have read and understand the Player and Parent sections in the Mass Youth Soccer Return to Soccer Activities Guidelines. **As of August 10, 2021 all Recommended Procedures and Protocols are still in place. No updates from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts have been made. At this time it is expected that our Summer 2021 COVID-19 Recommended Procedures will continue into September.** [soccer_activities_protocols_june_2_2021.pdf \(mayouthsoccer.org\)](https://mayouthsoccer.org/soccer_activities_protocols_june_2_2021.pdf)

2. Adult spectators must maintain 6' from other families/spectators.

3. No congregating in the parking lot, common areas, entrances, and exits before and after practice. Tailgating and other social gatherings are strictly prohibited in common areas We will follow all state and local health protocols along with recommendations from US Soccer, US Youth Soccer & MA Youth Soccer.

It is important for every family to familiarize themselves with the Mass Youth Soccer Return to Soccer Activities Guidelines, Safety Protocols, and the Modifications to the Game

throughout the season.

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Important Information from your coach.....

- If you notice your child is not feeling well, please keep them home.
- We will refrain from any contact with the players. This means NO handshakes, high 5's, fist or elbow bumps. The only contact will be in case of injury; in which case I will follow all recommended steps to keep him/her safe.
- All equipment such as cones, discs and portable goals will be cleaned and sanitized prior to every soccer practice. I am the only person that will be handling any of the training equipment (cones, discs portable mini goals, etc).
- I will have my personal hand sanitizer & will use it regularly throughout training. To help maintain physical distance, and cleanliness, I will not share it with players. I will have disinfecting wipes to clean any equipment that may have been accidentally handled by players.
- I will have my personal protective equipment available and make sure my mouth and nose are properly covered before coming in close contact with any players In the days leading up to opening day.
- In the case of inclement weather you will be notified by 8:30am if our session is canceled. You will be notified via Sportsmanager/email and it will be posted on Facebook.
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/CYSoccer>
- Please do not use your hands to pick up the ball.
- For every session, every child must bring a mask, water bottle, chair, wear their team jersey, comfortable shorts, soccer cleats or sneakers, and shin guards covered by soccer socks. Please bring a Size 3 soccer ball. They will not be sharing equipment. If you do not have a ball CYS will supply one.
- 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. It is a Clinton school policy that no dogs are allowed on the field.

I assure you that I will take every measure to make a safe training environment for your child. If you have any hesitations, please reach out to me to discuss any further questions or concerns.

Again, Welcome back and I look forward to getting the season underway.