

**Braden River Soccer Club (BRSC) TOPSoccer  
Spring 2019 Parent Information Sheet**

1. Program Schedule, Format, Other

- a. Saturdays, 10:30 AM – Noon, running April 13 until May 25 (7 sessions), meeting at the picnic pavilion at the soccer fields behind LRHS. We WILL meet on Easter weekend. There are bathrooms nearby at the BRSC Clubhouse.
- b. Please make sure your athlete is wearing comfortable shorts and gym shoes (no sandals or other open-toed-shoes!). While we recommend shin guards, they are not required and often cause tactile issues.
- c. We provide the uniform jersey, soccer ball, and a water bottle FREE as part of the program, and will also have water for parents, buddies, and other volunteers. Returning athletes will use the same equipment as they used in the Fall 2018 season.
- d. We will supply water and Gatorade. One of our traditions is to have FREE popsicles to end each day!
- e. Parents should bring a folding/ portable chair and/ or a blanket to sit on, and consider bringing an umbrella or sun shade to stay cool. Please consider SUNSCREEN for you and your athletes!
- f. IT IS OK TO BE LATE IF YOU HAVE A PROBLEM GETTING THERE ON TIME!**

2. Parent/ Guardian Requirements

- a. Parents MUST stay in the vicinity during the program, in the case of an emergency. IF you must leave, please tell your Athlete, their Buddy or Coach AND another parent and have that person be responsible should something happen to your Athlete.**
- b. If your Athlete has any habits or behavioral issues, please let us know in advance. We do our best to match them up with Buddies who can assist them in an appropriate manner but it is not an exact science. Your help and patience is appreciated.**
- c. If there is a behavioral problem and you feel you have to (or are asked to) intervene, please work with the Buddy or Coach to do this quickly and effectively.
- d. Enjoy the time at the soccer fields, socialize with other parents, and let your Athlete have fun. Try to stay over to the parking lot side of the fields but if you want to get closer for photos that is fine.
- e. If you want to help with various aspects of the program, like helping with the end of season party, with keeping track of time each week or even coaching, contact me at drobinson018@msn.com.

3. Potential Concerns

- a. Inclement Weather: Unless there is a downpour on Friday night/ Saturday morning, please come out to the fields. We follow the “30/30” rule, which is if lightning is accompanied by thunder heard within 30 seconds, the fields are cleared for 30 minutes.
- b. Lost Equipment/ Uniform: If you or your Athlete temporarily misplace your soccer ball or jersey, do not worry about it and come out and we will provide a loaner. If you think it is gone permanently, please see a Coach and they will arrange a new one. You can also use a jersey from a previous year.
- c. Media Release: Expect photographers from the local schools and news media to attend and cover TOPSoccer for their publications. If you DON’T want your child photographed, please tell me.

4. Buddies

- a. Buddies are young adults who have volunteered their time to the program. They are paired up with Athletes on a one-to-one basis, staying the same pairing for the entire program.
- b. If you know of potential Buddies, please have them email me at drobinson@fysa.com.

5. Special Events Days

- a. One of our Spring season traditions is to have special theme days like crazy hat, crazy socks, USA (red, white and blue), etc. Feel free to participate if you and your child want to, but there is no requirement.
- b. There will be an end-of-season awards ceremony which will take place on May 18 (the weekend prior to Memorial Day). We will have trophies, medals, and other awards, and possibly a pot luck lunch.

6. Donations

- a. If your company might be willing to donate something, let email me at drobinson@fysa.com. We can arrange for logos on promotional items such as backpacks, stickers, or t-shirts as appropriate.

Thanks again for your participation, and I look forward to an excellent season!

*Coach Dave Robinson*