



2008-2009 Season

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the Mayfield Soccer Club (MSC) Travel Program. The travel program offers players an opportunity to play at a more competitive soccer level than rec soccer. The travel team plays teams from other communities in the Cleveland area. The MSC would like to explain some of the policies of the MSC Travel Program.

In order for the travel program to work, there are commitments the MSC makes to all travel players and their parents and commitments that the players and parents make to the MSC. **Your child will be expected to play a full year of travel soccer, which consists of an eight game fall season and an eight game spring season.** Most games are played on Sunday afternoons. No player will be cut from a team during the year. At the end of the year, around June, all players are expected to try out for the Travel Team for the following year. **The fee for the 2008-09 season will be \$175.00, which is due at registration** The fees provide an eight game Fall and eight game Spring season, footskills training by a professional coach, state licensed team coaches, and a uniform which includes a shirt, shorts and socks. As long as the players finish the full year, they will keep their uniforms. If a player quits before the year is completed, the entire uniform must be turned back in to the MSC.

Each coach makes the decision whether to participate in tournaments or an indoor soccer league. The decision is done on a team-by-team basis. The cost for tournaments and indoor soccer is an additional expense. The coach will determine the amount. Usually, the cost is spread evenly over the team participants. Again, this is an added expense that will be determined by the coach.

All team participants must play on the **appropriate** age team. This especially applies to all the new U9 boys and girls teams for the following season, if they are still on the team. An example is a U8 player that plays on a U9 team this year would have to play on the U9 team the following year. The player would not be a U9 player playing on the U10 team for the following year.

The MSC Travel and Rec programs have come a long way. The Club has grown while other communities have discontinued their travel programs. The coaching and technical training improves each year; as a result, the travel teams are becoming more competitive at every level. Soccer, like many other team sports, is more than winning and losing. It's about teamwork, dedication, practice, learning to have respect for referees, coaches, opponents, and learning the rules of the game. Most importantly, soccer is intended to be fun. It's a game that should be enjoyed by the player and his/her parents.

If you have any questions about anything listed or not listed above, or if during the year anything occurs that needs to be brought to my attention, please call me at 440-449-1995.

Sincerely,

Michael Hirsch
President

Signature of Parent or Guardian