



## 2023 Recreational Draft Night

### Division U12

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### AGENDA

1. Welcome
2. Fingerprinting and Registration
3. TeamSnap
4. City Cup
5. Special Rules Review
6. Health and Safety
7. Draft
8. Equipment Distribution

**Coach Registration & Background:** All coaches and assistant coaches must be registered with GotSport prior to taking the field. Register here: [GotSport](#) or using the below QR Code:



Coaches will be subject to a background check by Cal North soccer. All **new** coaches will need to have a livescan completed prior to the season beginning. (New live scans are not required for returning coaches). This can be done on your own, or at an upcoming league event TBA. If you choose to get it done on your own, PYSL will supply you with a voucher to cover the cost of the fingerprinting.



PYSL uses TeamSnap as a league management platform. All teams will be rostered in TeamSnap and game schedules will be posted in TeamSnap. TeamSnap allows coaches to manage communications and track availability for games and practices. To get the most out of TeamSnap, coaches should download and install the app.

**League Play:** The U12 league games will begin August 19th and run through October 7th. Matches will be played at Wiseman Field and Prince Park and will be officiated by a licensed CNRA official. Score and standings will be kept with awards being given to the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place teams.

**City Cup:** At the end of the season, U12 teams will participate in a blind draw, single elimination tourney. The blind draw for the City Cup brackets will be held on Tuesday 9/26- the same night as our Volunteer Appreciation Event here at the Elks (food and drink will be provided).

### Rules Review:

A complete list of game rules can be located at [petalumasoccer.org](http://petalumasoccer.org).

**No Blowout Rule:** Any team at the U9-U12 level who is up by a score of more than 4 goals against the other team SHALL remove a player until the other team scores. (ie: after the 5th goal). Any team who finishes a game with an eight-goal advantage shall be given a automatic forfeit and will have lost the game.

### Sportsmanship:

**Referees:** PYSL will have zero tolerance for any abusive or disrespectful conduct toward our referees from parents or coaches. PYSL works diligently to recruit/ train and retain referees in order to ensure a better soccer experience for all. Many of our referees are youth referees who are (like our players) learning. THEY WILL MAKE MISTAKES. If you have feedback about a referee, please contact our head referee [RAFAtheassignor@outlook.com](mailto:RAFAtheassignor@outlook.com) with the date of the game, the KO time and field # along with any feedback and it will be addressed.

**Parents:** Parents should be discouraged from coaching from the sidelines. We have plenty of coaching positions open, and if they are on the sidelines, it is because they didn't want one of them. Cheering is appropriate, but coaching from the sidelines is not and should be addressed by the coach. It really does ruin the game for the kids.

**Playing time and Positions:** Coaches SHALL do their best to ensure equal playing time for EVERY player and should do their best to allow players to play all positions.

## **Health & Safety:**

**Smoke/ excessive heat days:** In the event of a fire event or excessive heat, PYSL will announce cancellations of games via TeamSnap by 12 noon on the day of the event. Please note: the safety of our players is paramount. If at any time you (as the coach) feel that the conditions are unsafe for recreational soccer please take the initiative to cancel your team event and contact your director ASAP.

### **Important Dates for U12 2023 Recreational Season**

**June 27- U12 Draft night**

**Week of July 8- Team meetings & First Practices**

**July 13 & July 27<sup>th</sup> Fingerprinting Opportunities TBA**

**August 19- Games begin**

**August 26- SoccerFest and Photoday (no games)**

**NO GAMES LABOR DAY WEEKEND**

**September 26- City Cup meeting & Volunteer Appreciation Night**

**October 9- City Cup Starts**

**October 21- City Cup Finals**

**November (TBA)- All Stars**

**Thank you for coaching. We couldn't do this without you!**