

# 2015 CECIL SOCCER LEAGUE SPRING REGISTRATION INFORMATION

The **Cecil Soccer League** Recreational Program is geared towards providing a fun, competitive soccer environment for kids. All kids are welcome and CSL strives to make it a positive experience for the players and their families.

# All games will be played at the Chesland Soccer Complex (401 Elk Forest Rd, Elkton Md., 21921) on Saturdays. The 8 game season will begin April 11th, 2015. No games Memorial Day Weekend.

**Socceroos** "Games" will be played in hour long sessions geared to make it fun with instruction. During the 1<sup>st</sup> half hour of the session the players will do some fun drills and games with their coach (the ROOs get breaks whenever theyneed them). During the 2<sup>nd</sup> half hour the players will have a "game" against another team; their coaches will be on the field during the game to "referee" and help the players.

**All other age groups** will play regular length games (age dependent) with referees. Once the teams are set up, schedules will be completed. Practices will held at various schools or soccer fields throughout the County. Coaches will pick their practice facility based on availability and generally try to find a field in close proximity to where their players live.

**Parents/Guardians** do have the option to request a particular coach/team <u>during</u> registration but this request **CANNOT BE GUARANTEED**. CSL realizes that there are several benefits for parents/guardians to keep their kids with the same coach/team and will strive to accommodate any request made at the time of registration. PLEASE DO NOT BOMBARD THE LEAGUE WITH YOUR REQUEST TO BE ON A PARTICULAR TEAM, THIS WILL NOT HELP YOUR CHANCES. Coaches are not permitted to submit a "roster" of players that they want on their team, this is a Recreational League and CSL staff will determine the players on each team.

**Travel Players** are permitted to register and will be placed on teams so as to help balance the skill levels throughout an age group. Travel players must identify themselves when registering to play and will also have their age incremented by one year which may bump them into the next older age group. Players that have the skill and desire to play in the Travel Program will not be allowed to use the Rec Program as a "practice ground". Specifics of the Cecil Soccer Travel Program can be found at; <u>http://www.cecilsoccer.org/about-rep-soccer/.</u>

**Coaches / Managers** must also register if they are interested in coaching or managing a team. There is no cost to register, but the registration process must be completed by prospective coaches/managers so that background checks can be conducted.

Winning is not the #1 goal of the Program and there are no playoffs at the end of the season. Coaches (and parents) are encouraged to teach good sportsmanship, self-reliance, and teamwork. The emphasis should not be on winning, but on team participation and self- improvement in skills, coordination, and strategy. Recreational Programs should always be about fun first while teaching the skills to improve at the game of soccer.

The Cecil Soccer League is made up entirely of volunteers. The Coordinators and the Registrar will select the coaches and build the teams. Any issues that may come up during the season should be addressed with the Coordinators first. The CSL Indoor Program VP along with the VP of the Recreational Program VP and the CSL President will adjudicate any sportsmanship/discipline issue.

## **Registration fees (per player)**

#### Socceroo - \$65;

#### U8, U10, U12, U15 -\$75

Family Discount reduces the cost per registration by \$25 after the  $2^{nd}$  child (ie.  $3^{rd}$  child and beyond cost \$50/child for U8-U15)

Reversible jerseys - \$20

### Registration ends March 7th, 2015.

\$15 late after March 4<sup>th</sup>.

#### Age Groups for the Recreational Program

\* Socceroos- (U6); ages 3 3/4 - 5 (as of 12/31/2014) Birth date Range; 8/1/2008 -

12/31/2010

\* Under 8's; ages 6-7 (as of 8/1/2014)

Birth date Range; 8/1/2006 - 7/31/2009 (allows advanced 5 yr olds to be aged up)

\* Under 10's; ages 8-9 (as of 8/1/2014)

Birth date Range; 8/1/2004 - 7/31/2007 (allows advanced 7 yr olds to be aged up)

\* Under 12's; ages 10-11 (as of 8/1/2014)

Birth date Range; 8/1/2002 - 7/31/2005 (allows advanced 9 yr olds to be aged up)

\* Under 15's; ages 12-14 (as of 8/1/2014)

Birth date Range; 8/1/1999 - 7/31/2003 (allows advanced 11 yr olds to be aged up)

PARENTS DO HAVE THE OPTION TO AGE UP PLAYERS ONE YEAR IN THE REGISTRATION PROGRAM BUT THEY ARE ALSO REQUIRED TO SEND AN EMAIL TO <u>info@cecilsoccer.org</u> REQUESTING TO BE AGED UP ALONG WITH A JUSTIFICATION FOR WHY THEIR CHILD SHOULD BE AGED UP. CSL WILL CHECK WITH PREVIOUS COACHES ABOUT THE PLAYERS SKILL AND ABILTY TO PLAY IN AN OLDER AGE GROUP. CSL REPS WILL MAKE THE FINAL DECISION ABOUT A PLAYER BEING AGED UP AND DOES NOT GUARANTEE THAT ALL REQUESTS WILL BE HONORED.

Players will be notified of their placement after the Coaches Meeting which is scheduled for March 21<sup>st</sup>. Please give your 2-3 days to get a hold of you after the 21<sup>st</sup>. Practices will likely begin the following week.

To register go to;