

What is TOPSoccer?

TOPSoccer (The Outreach Program for Soccer) is a community based soccer program that is designed to meet the needs of children with physical and/or mental disabilities. The program is geared toward player participation and development. Players are placed on teams according to ability NOT by age.

Why TOPSoccer?

TOPSoccer furthers US Youth Soccer's mission of fostering the physical, mental and emotional growth and development of America's youth through the sport of soccer at all levels. In short, TOPSoccer takes kids from the sidelines to participating in the game.

What is the TOPSoccer parent's role?

TOPSoccer parents need to provide transportation to and from all practices and games ensuring that the player is prompt not only in arriving but also in departure. Attend all practices and games and lend your support in a positive manner.

What should parents expect from the program?

- A fun and meaningful experience for you and your child.
- Games and activities adapted in ways that will ensure your child learns at his/her own ability.
- TOPSoccer is designed to improve the overall fitness, self-esteem and social skills of your child.

What are the benefits of TOPSoccer for the players?

- Players will develop a sense of belonging to a community and will learn the value of being part of a team.
- Improved self-esteem, fitness and social skills.
- Success based on ability

What should TOPSoccer players expect?

- To decide when to participate in soccer
- To participate in every game or session and to play at least 50% of each game or session
- To participate at a level that corresponds to their ability
- To participate in a safe and healthy environment
- To play and enjoy participation in the sport of soccer

The History of TOPSoccer

US Youth Soccer TOPSoccer began in 1991. It was designed and administered by US Youth Soccer, the nation's largest youth sports organization, and its volunteer TOPSoccer Committee, to provide meaningful learning, development and physical participation opportunities to children with disabilities through the game of soccer. Those opportunities exist for these players to develop, achieve, and compete according to their individual abilities. We look forward to bringing these children into the soccer family!