



## 2021 NBAA Soccer Information for Parents



### **COVID-19 Related Health Screenings**

Our coaches and volunteers that put this Season together every year do a lot. One thing we cannot ask them to do is ensure your child is healthy prior to arriving at practice of a game. We are asking all parents, to do a temperature screening prior to sending your kid to a practice or game. Any child with a fever, new or persistent cough, exposure or potential exposure to COVID-19 positive individuals, or other COVID-19 related symptoms are asked not to attend practices or game. Without your help, this season won't last very long. Any player that tests positive for COVID-19 or has a family member test positive, or has direct contact with a COVID-19 positive individual will need to follow the test and trace guidance provided by medical professionals. This may or may not lead to an entire team being shutdown in accordance with medical and health department guidelines. A team that has a positive test (player or coach) will be shut down in accordance with city, county and state health guidelines. This may require changes to the schedule, and may impact the number of games teams can play this season.

### **Concessions – Cancelled for 2021**

As part of our efforts to scale back gatherings and groupings, we have opted to not have concessions this year.

### **Seating**

Please note that all bleachers for spectators will be removed from the field area. All spectators are encouraged to bring a chair with them to enjoy the game. The same is true for players – all benches will be removed from the fields. Players must bring a chair with them to all games. Sharing of chairs between non-family member players will be prohibited.

### **Face Masks**

At this time since there is no state or local mask mandate, we are not requiring players or coaches to wear masks. Masks are recommended, but not required. If state or local entities change the guidance, we will adopt the same standards. This may change on short notice, so your cooperation is appreciated.

### **Inclement Weather**

Unless you hear from your child's coach before a game, you should report to the park as scheduled. Games will be played unless field conditions do not allow. Even if an earlier game has been canceled, games scheduled for later in the day may still be played. Updated information will also be posted on our NBAA Soccer Facebook page.

### **Field Locations**

This year, we are working with the City to spread out all field locations to keep gatherings as small and manageable as possible. We are tentatively work with the city to keep the Majors (field #1), Juniors (field #2) and Minors (field #3) and the Tots field (#4) at the west end of Malone Park, past the tennis courts. We are working with the City to relocate the Minis fields (#5 and #6). Once a final layout is determined, that information will be relayed to the coaches. All of the fields will still be at Malone Park, they just may be in different locations. A Field layout, for your reference, will be posted at the Concession Stand.

## **Parking**

All cars should be parked in legal spaces in the parking lots. You must not park in spaces reserved for coordinators and emergency vehicles. Cars should not be parked on the shoulder of either the east or west entrances to the park as it impairs access to the park. Cars that are illegally parked may be ticketed. The game times have been staggered in order to help with parking.

## **Uniforms and Safety Equipment**

The NBAA issues each player with a uniform consisting of a shirt, shorts, and a pair of socks. The uniform must be worn in order to play. Shin guards are required for all players. Sweat shirts, sweat pants and shin guards must be worn under the uniform. While soccer cleats are not required, they are recommended. Your child's coach will be collecting the uniform shorts at the end of the season. Your help in returning the shorts, cleaned, to the coach immediately following the end of the season is necessary and appreciated.

## **Picture Day**

Saturday September 25th is the day scheduled for team pictures at the Hickory Grove on Cleveland Avenue and Sunnyslope Road. In order for the pictures to be taken with minimal interference with game times, please be sure to follow your coach's instructions regarding time and location for the pictures. Your cooperation and patience are appreciated.

## **Lost and Found**

There will be a lost and found at the equipment shed / concession stand. Please drop off lost items and stop by during the season to check it out if you've lost something.