

South Sound YMCA

2008 Late Spring Youth Sports

Coaches Information Sheet

Assistant Coaches

Coaches are encouraged to have an assistant coach, but are required to have an assistant coach if they have more than one team and have back-to-back practices. Paperwork for all assistant coaches is required just as it is for the head-coach. **Coaches' t-shirts are only given to coaches who have updated and complete volunteer coaches application paperwork on file. Please ask your Assistant Coach to contact Chris Miller at 918-0255, to arrange for a time to pick up her or his t-shirt.** Two coaches t-shirts are provided for those teams with an assistant coach. Please bring old t-shirts back to the YMCA for recycling rather than donating them to Goodwill or other resale shops.

Team Names

Please feel free to pick your own team name. We give each team a number, which will show on your game schedule (i.e., #1 vs. #2). You will find out your team number when you pick up your game schedule.

Golf Shirts

Golf: The YMCA will get you golf shirts for use in matches. If you have any questions about your shirts, please contact Chris Miller at 918-0255.

Listed on your roster are the sizes each player ordered. **When handing out the shirts to your players, please refer to your team roster. An updated roster including the sizes ordered by each player will be attached to your main order.** If the wrong size was ordered, please have the parent come into the YMCA or contact the YMCA to reorder a t-shirt. There is a \$10 charge for each golf shirt that needs to be reordered.

Soccer Jerseys

As of Fall 2006, we have switched to using Reversible Jerseys. All Reversible Jerseys will be Navy on one side, White on the other. The schedule will list the HOME team second on the schedule. The HOME team should ALWAYS wear the NAVY BLUE color. If the child doesn't have a shirt, please ask the parent to go to the YMCA and buy one. Prices are \$12.65 for Youth Sizes and \$13.85 for Adult Sizes (prices include tax). These Jerseys can be re-used season after season and will save money over time. When the child out-grows the shirt, they can give it to a younger sibling, friend, cousin, etc for use. All shirts come with pre-printed numbers on the back of their shirts. If your jersey does not have a number, please take it to Color Graphics and they will put numbers on at no charge to you.

Practice/Game Cancellations

Cancelled practices are the coach's decision. Please notify all of your team members if you need to cancel. You may also notify the YMCA at 357-6609 and we will put a message in our message book. The decision to cancel games will be made by the YMCA Youth Sports Staff. We will put a message on our Youth Sports Hotline by 7:30am on Saturdays. Early games will be cancelled first (i.e., all games before 11:00am). Decisions regarding the cancellation of later games will be made throughout the day and the YMCA front desk staff will be notified. **The Youth Sports Hotline number is 918-0275.**

Please do not cancel games on your own. Please have an assistant coach fill in for you if you are gone. If you are short of players, please have those who can, show-up. The other team can loan you some players or you can play a short-sided game.

Game Time Preference

If you have any special needs for game times, please let Beth Daniel know by Monday May 19th, 2008. Call 918-0254 and leave a message. **Once game schedules are made there will be no changes.**

Rosters

Please let us know if there is any incorrect information on the roster you receive. Also please let us know of any updated information that you receive from the parents including additional phone numbers, email addresses, etc. It is also important that you check with the parents about any medical issues (such as allergies, etc) that you should be aware of.

YMCA Youth Sports Teams are considered full with the following number of participants:

Sport	Max. Participants	Sport	Max. Participants
Golf	4	Itty-Bitty Soccer	8

If you would like to okay an extra player to your team, please call Beth Daniel at 918-0254 or Chris Miller at 918-0255 and leave a message with the participant's name. Please tell the parents of the extra player to register their child onto a waitlist team and once we have your okay, we will transfer the child to your team. We recommend you adhere to the maximum limit we have set, but we understand situations come up where you may need to open an extra spot.

If your team is not full, we will continue to add new participants to it. **Please call the YMCA at 357-6609 before your first practice to see if any new participants have been added. Please keep us updated if you have a new address or telephone number.** Also, kids may transfer teams or dropout all together and we will do our best to get this information to you in a timely manner. However, please check with us if you suspect any team changes and we can mail, fax, email or read you your most current team roster.

Equipment

The Olympia Downtown YMCA will issue the following equipment per team:

<u>Sport</u>	<u>Equipment</u>
Golf	- Golf Balls will be provided
Outdoor Soccer	- Teams will each get 8 cones and 4 soccer balls

Let us know if you are missing anything or something is broken. Please take good care of the equipment and return it to the Olympia Downtown YMCA at the end of the season. All Youth Sports Equipment is distributed from and stored at the Olympia Downtown Branch YMCA. First Aid Kits are also given to all teams. If you need more supplies for your first aid kit, please contact Chris Miller at 918-0255.

Team Pictures

Team pictures should be mailed to you before the end of your season. Please distribute these to your players or assign a parent to do so. **The YMCA cannot be responsible for storing and distributing team pictures.** All pictures that end up at the YMCA will be returned to Northwest Sports Photography for distribution. If you have a problem getting your pictures back before the end of the season, please call Northwest Sports Photography at 1-800-446-5758. They can mail pictures to individuals if they cannot get them to you before your final game.

Evaluations

Participant program evaluations will be distributed at game sites near the end of the season. YMCA Staff will distribute and collect them. Coaches Program evaluation will be mailed to you at the end of the season. If you complete and return it to us, you will be receiving a 50% off coupon for future Youth Sports registration.

Website

The YMCA website has been updated with many of the forms you may need, including player registration and coach information. Our website is: <http://www.SouthSoundYMCA.org>. We also have online registration for making it easier to register for teams and other programs.

E-Mail List

We have an e-mail list available on our website, under Programs, Youth Super Sports. We encourage ALL coaches and parents to join this list. No information is distributed outside the YMCA.

NOTE: For safety reasons during practices and games, jewelry is not allowed.