

# 2025 SPRING KYSC COACHES MEETING GUIDELINES & EXPECTATIONS



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# Coaches Code of Ethics

*whether you win or lose,  
make it a better game.*

*Treat your team, other players  
and Match Officials with  
respect so that everyone  
has a more enjoyable time,  
on and off the pitch.*



**I coach because I want to help young people mature into well adjusted, productive adults with strong character. I want to foster a love for the fun, exciting game of soccer.**

***I will be an encourager, not a discourager.***

**My actions and personal manner will be a good example for young people to follow.**

- I will treat all players, coaches, administrators, parents and referees with the respect and courtesy I desire for myself.
- Any dissatisfaction I want to express will be stated in a private forum and in a restrained and civil manner.
- I will respect and honor the beliefs and sensitivities of all players, coaches, parents, administrators, and referees.

**Regardless of how teams are formed, I recognize that all players on my team have value, both as Players, and as people.**

- I recognize that all have signed up to play, not watch, and except for health reasons, I am committed to playing each player at least fifty percent of the game and in a manner that seems fair to all players and parents.
- As a coach, it is not appropriate for me to teach the players "life is not fair"; they will learn enough of that on their own. My job is to make the soccer part of their life as fair as possible, no matter what the level of competition.

**I will be prepared for each game and practice.**

- For practices, I will have a practice plan that efficiently uses the time available and teaches the players important skills and strategies for the game of soccer.
- For games, I will have a game plan that will utilize the talents of all my players to the utmost while ensuring that each player feels needed and respected.

**I will follow all the Laws of the Game and will abide by all the administrative procedures of KYSC, KYSA, South Texas Youth Soccer Association, United States Youth Soccer, and the United States Soccer Federation.**



# KYSC Board Members

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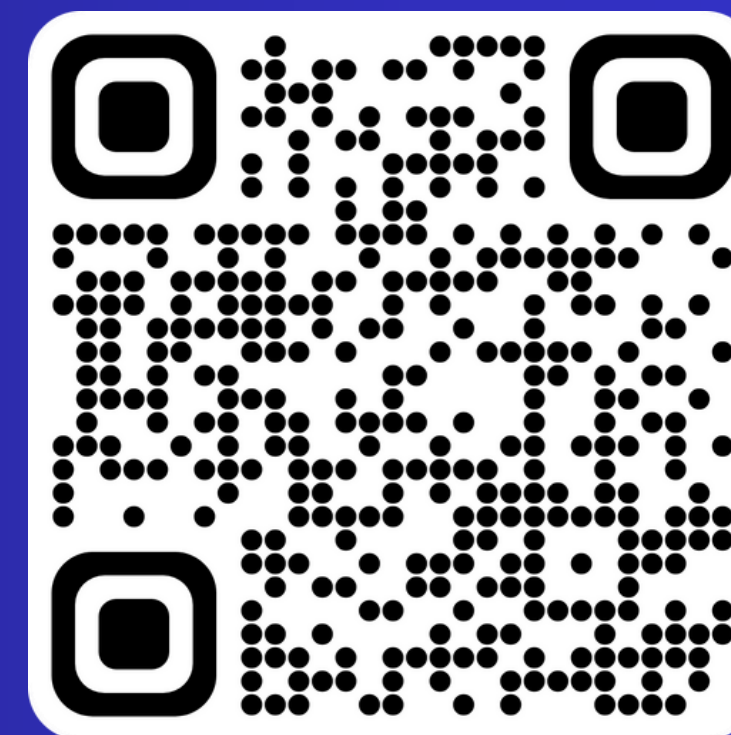
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<https://www.katyyouthsoccer.com/board-members>

A complete list of KYSC  
board members.



# SRPING 2025 KYSC FNA

## Hosted by: Albion

KYSC is pleased to sponsor KYSC Friday Night Academy for  
players, age 4 – 15.

**WHEN:** Fridays, March 21, 28 | April 4, 11, 25 | May 2, 9

**WHERE:** Katy Park Field 12 & 13

**COST:** One-time registration fee of \$70  
(covers all 7 sessions) and includes a  
T-shirt.

6U – 7U: 5:30 – 6:30 | 8U – 9U: 6:30 – 7:30 | 10U and older 7:30 – 8:30

**\*\* Your registration is not complete until you have paid the registration fee. \*\***

If you have more questions, please contact the KYSC FNA Director at,

[jhinfo@albionhurricanes.org](mailto:jhinfo@albionhurricanes.org).



# SPRING 2025 KYSC SKILLS NIGHT

Hosted By: Pure Soccer



- 8 Week Program
- \$10/Session = \$80 Total
- Starting March 6<sup>th</sup>
- Thursday Evenings at Katy Park Fields  
6U – 7U: 5:00pm | 8U – 10U 6pm | 11U – 12U: 7pm  
\*5:00pm – Goalie training 8U and above





# KYSC Coaches Manual

This can be found on the bottom of the Coaches tab on the KYSC Website.

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# Coaching Requirements

This info can be found under the Coaches tab on the KYSC Website.

**ALL COACHES and ASST. COACHES** must create a GotSport account. Once you have setup an account, you will need to re-register each season (Spring and Fall). Please click [HERE](#) > Team & Team Officials > Individual Coach

All former and new coaches /Asst. coaches are **REQUIRED** to:

1. Successfully register and pass a [BACKGROUND CHECK](#)  
(Every 2 years)
2. Complete the [SAFESPORT](#) training modules.  
(Every year; Refresher after 1st year)
3. Complete the [CDC Heads Up Concussion Awareness](#) Training  
(Every 2 years)

All components are mandatory in order for the adult to receive a **KidSafe** Participation pass to be added to your team as a coach. Components 2, 3 and 4 are linked through the individual's GotSoccer account.



# Coaching Requirements

## Mandatory for ALL Coaches and Assistant Coaches on Team:

- Register with KYSC
- Register in GotSport
- Complete STYSA KidSafe Adult Registration for background check (GotSport)
- Complete the CDC Heads Up concussion training (GotSport)
- Complete the SafeSport Certification training (GotSport)

## Who should register as a Coach with KYSC?

- All former Coaches, and anyone who wants to coach for KYSC, must register with KYSC before they are assigned to a team.
- Please note that registering as a coach does not guarantee you a team.

*Please note that rosters are hidden in GotSport  
until all requirements are complete!*



# Coaching Requirements

## When do coaches have to complete their background check?

Coaches must complete their background check before they can be assigned a team.

## When do coaches have to complete their SafeSport and CDC Concussion?

Coaches must complete their Safesport and CDC training before the 2nd game of the season.

## What happens if a coach does not complete their background checks before the deadline?

If a coach does not complete their background before the 2nd game, they will be suspended for one week and each week after until it is completed.

## Where can I pick up my Coaches Badge?

Badges will be printed tonight for those with completed requirements. Other badges will be available at the board tent for the first game.

**There will be no leniency on this policy.**

*We will have badge holders and lanyards at the board tent if you need one*



# Escalation Process

**Initial Reminder:** If a coach has not completed the required training by the specified deadline, a formal reminder will be issued, clearly stating the importance of completing the training promptly. This reminder should include the deadline for compliance and information on how to access the training.

## **Escalation Process:**

- **First Escalation:** If the training is still not completed after the initial reminder, the coach will receive a direct communication from the AC and VP of Coaches. This communication will emphasize the critical nature of the training and the potential consequences of non-compliance. (before the first game)
- **Second Escalation:** Should the coach fail to comply after the first escalation, the President will contact the coach and will be given a final opportunity to complete the training within a specified timeframe. (This occurs mid-week after the first escalation). The coach will be given a deadline to complete all required items by Friday, prior to the next game.

## **Enforcement and Removal:**

- If all escalations and warnings have been exhausted without compliance, the coach will be removed from their position until items are completed, or a replacement can be found. This action is necessary to protect the organization.
- The removal process will be documented thoroughly, ensuring that all steps were taken to provide the coach with ample opportunity to comply, signed off by the VP of Coaches and the President (we can create a form that the President and the VP of Coaches must sign to confirm that we have reviewed and verified that all policies, including the documentation of compliance requirements and escalation steps were followed.)

**Monitoring:** The VP of Coaches will implement regular monitoring to ensure all coaches remain compliant with training requirements. Any future instances of non-compliance will be handled swiftly following this established procedure.



# KYSC GotSport Instructions

Manager/Coaches

FAQ Page



How to Print Your

Required Roster



*Scan the QR code and then scroll down until you see what you need.*



# Game Day and Katy Park Field Updates

X, Facebook, Email, & KYSC Website

Coaches and families will be alerted of field updates during the week and on Game Days through email.

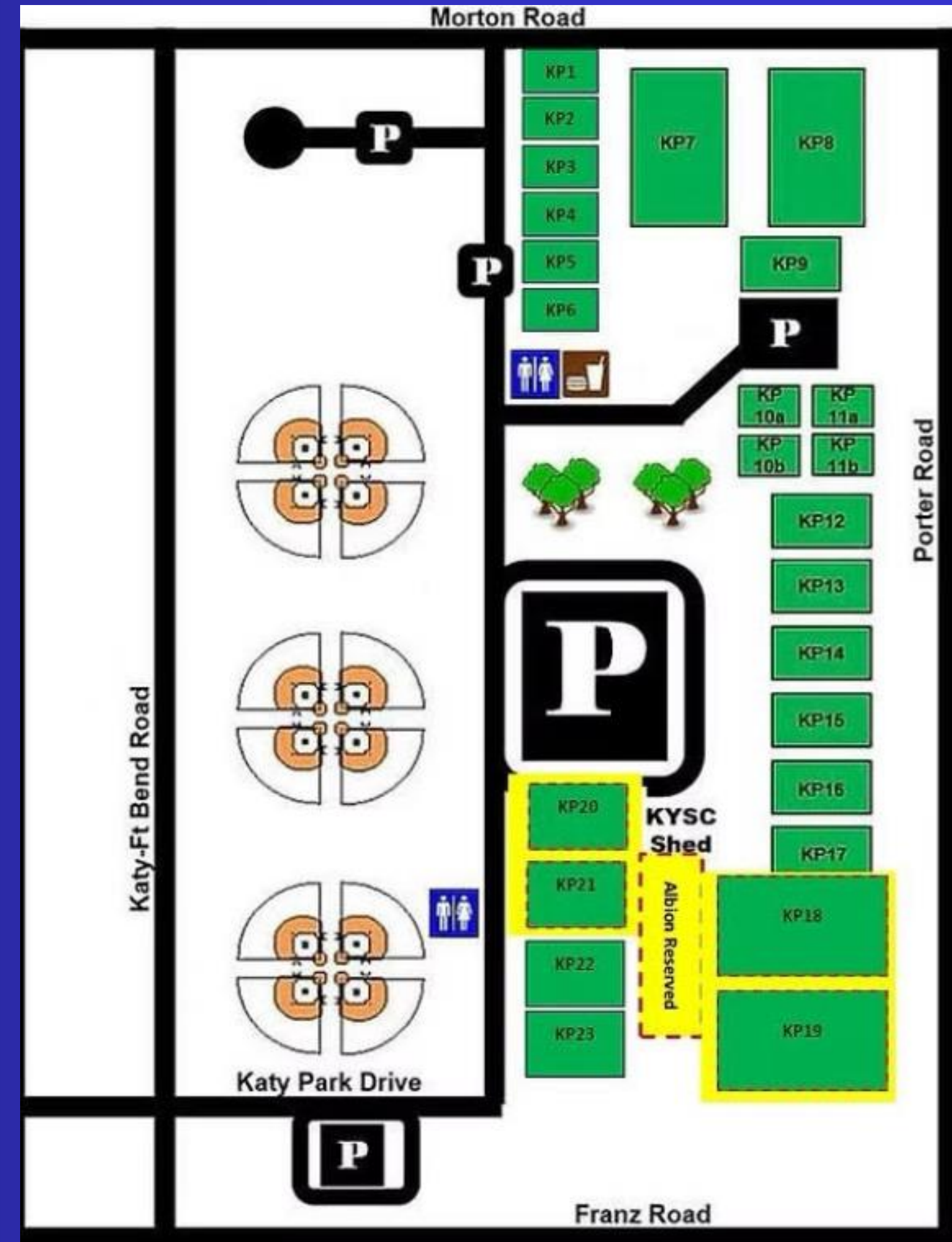
KYSC Website will be updated by 4:00 pm during the week

**Updates occur only when there is a change in status**



# Katy Park - 24927 Morton Road

- Fields are OPEN; lights on until 9:45 pm Monday – Thursday
- Katy Park Shift Change Rule – See Coaches Manual
  - \* Katy Park field shift change occurs EVERY weeknight at 7:00pm.
  - \* Your team MUST give up the field to an awaiting team at 7:00pm irrespective of the time you started.
- *It is recommended that practice sessions be scheduled for 5:30–7:00 pm and 7:00–8:30 pm to gain maximum use of the facilities.*





# Katy Park - 24927 Morton Road

Fields open for practice on 02/17/2025

We **STRONGLY** recommend and encourage coaches to find space outside of Katy Park.

**Katy ISD High School athletic fields are NOT to be used by any KYSC team for practice (Jr High Schools and Elementary Schools are open for use)**

**The following fields are not available for practice**

s Fields 18–21 – Albion leased

*Please note this is subject to change;*

*keep checking the KYSC Website for field updates*



# Katy Park Park Traffic INFO

- Yes, there will be traffic on game day.
- Yes, opening weekend and Picture day are EXTRA special/crowded.
- No, it will not get better as we move through the season.
- Please know that all games run based on a set time frame and the ref will NOT wait 30 min to start your game.
- We will have police presence, BUT the traffic is still awful.

Resist the urge to wait for someone possibly pulling out!  
Don't be the problem!



# Key Dates – Spring 2025

**Contact your families by  
February 16, 2025**



**NO GAMES GOING INTO  
AND OUT OF SPRING BREAK  
AND EASTER WEEKEND!**

Spring Opening Day  
Saturday, March 1st

Picture Day  
Saturday, March 29th

Picture Pick-Up Day  
Saturday, April 26th

Make-Up Picture Day  
Saturday, April 26th

Last Weekend of Games  
Saturday, May 10th

Rain-out Make-Up Day  
Saturday, May 17th



# Scheduling

Official schedule will be posted on [www.katyyouthsoccer.com](http://www.katyyouthsoccer.com)

- First week will be posted Monday prior to the first game
- The remainder of schedule will be posted before the second match.
- Check the website EVERY Friday for any schedule changes.
- Game times will be coordinated for Head Coaches with multiple teams.

Rescheduling games will be at the discretion of KYSC

- Situation MUST impact the majority of team.  
(An absent Coach is not a reason to reschedule)
- Coaches get ONE request to reschedule ONE game.
- Make initial requests to the AC; and CC respective VP on email.
- Request MUST be made BEFORE the second game.
- Requests are not guaranteed.



# Sponsorship

- Sponsorships are \$200
- Solicit the families of your players to get sponsorships

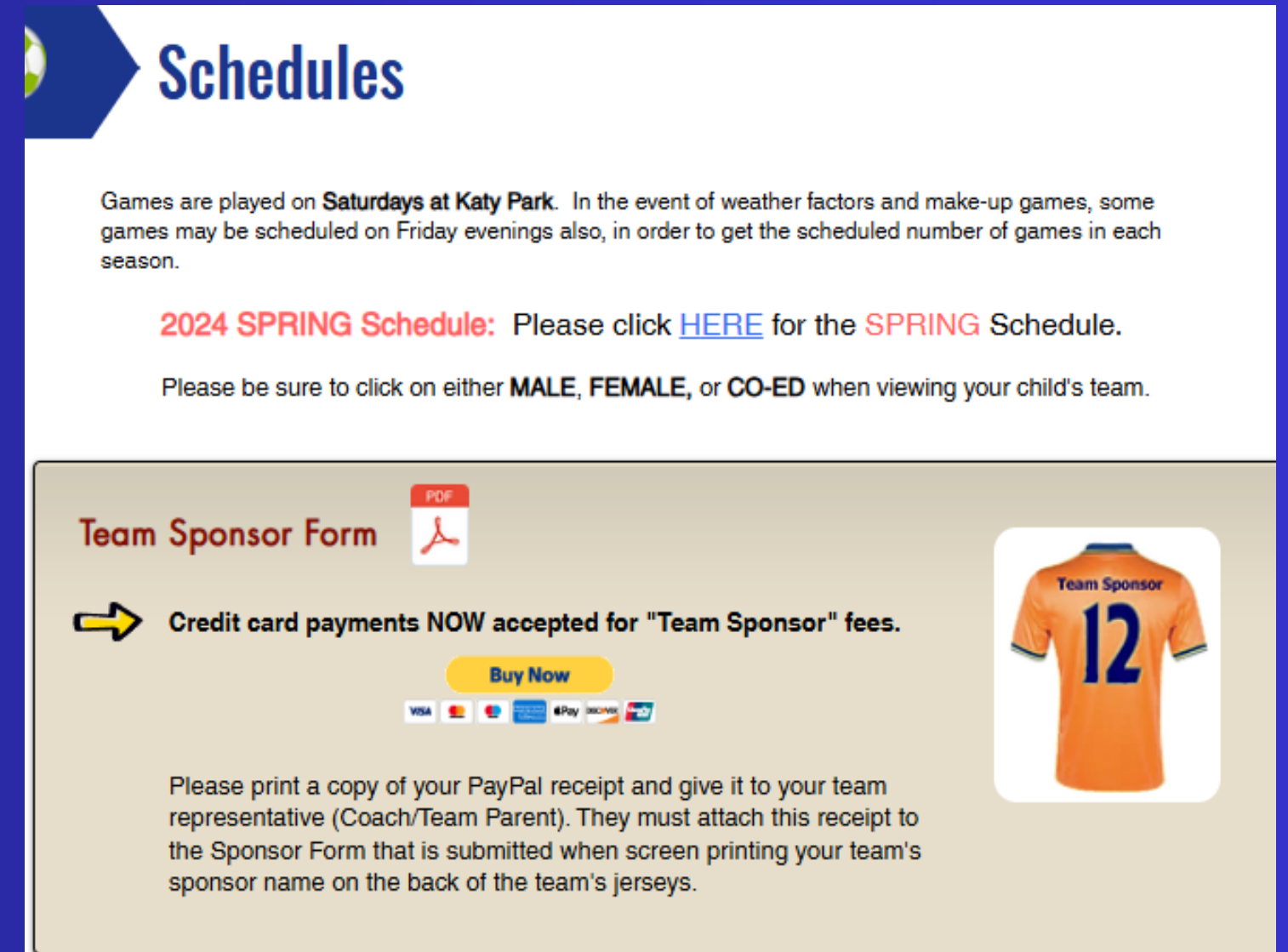
Company's name will be on the back of the uniforms

**Last Names will NOT be allowed**

- Screening is done by Brammers in Katy
- Allow 3 to 4 business days for completion

**Uniforms must be dropped off before noon on Tuesday to be ready for pickup on Friday**

Located under the Schedules tab on the website.





**Schedules**

Games are played on **Saturdays at Katy Park**. In the event of weather factors and make-up games, some games may be scheduled on Friday evenings also, in order to get the scheduled number of games in each season.


**2024 SPRING Schedule:** Please click [HERE](#) for the **SPRING** Schedule.

Please be sure to click on either **MALE**, **FEMALE**, or **CO-ED** when viewing your child's team.

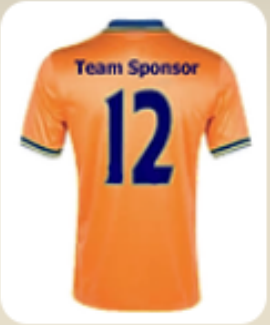
**Team Sponsor Form** 

 **Credit card payments NOW accepted for "Team Sponsor" fees.**

**Buy Now**



Please print a copy of your PayPal receipt and give it to your team representative (Coach/Team Parent). They must attach this receipt to the Sponsor Form that is submitted when screen printing your team's sponsor name on the back of the team's jerseys.





## PLEASE REMEMBER

- These are KIDS.
- This is a GAME.
- Coaches are VOLUNTEERS.
- Referees are HUMAN.
- This is not the World Cup.

Kids want to play soccer because it's fun. Let's continue to be the best role models for our children so they have the most fun playing soccer. Thank you for your cooperation and support.



**DON'T  
FORGET**



# Referee

## THE MAJORITY OF KYSC REFEREES ARE TEENAGERS!!!!

- o BE RESPECTFUL
- o DO NOT use Foul language
- o DO NOT touch or physically harm anyone

## DISAGREEMENT WITH CALLS OR SCORES

- o Referee calls are FINAL.
- o Issues CANNOT be resolved after the game.
- o You can contact your AC about the disagreement.
- o Scores and calls will NOT be reversed, but your reporting of information will help KYSC to address learning gaps with refs.

## RED AND YELLOW CARDS

- o Referees can issue red/yellow cards on players and coaches at any point during a match.
- o Coaches will be carded for unruly parents and spectators



[See Coaches Manual for more information](#)



# Parents on Game Day

## COACHES, YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR PARENTS' BEHAVIOR ON GAME DAYS!!

- o It is **NOT** the Referee's responsibility to control the parents
- o Referees **WILL** yellow card and/or red card Coaches for sideline disturbances

## BE RESPECTFUL

- o **DO NOT** use Foul language
- o **DO NOT** use racial or discrimination language
- o **DO NOT** use negative language
- o **DO NOT** touch or physically harm any kids

## LOCATION

- o **MUST** be located on the opposite side of field from the coaches/players
- o Do **NOT** stand behind/beside the goals
- o Do **NOT** come onto the field during the game for any reason

## STOPPAGE OF GAME PLAY

- o Referees can stop the game due to lack of parent control or sideline disturbances that disrupt the game
- o Games will **NOT** be replayed and the current score will stand





# Sportsmanship Point

Don't forget the sportsmanship point

o Please do your best to make the game FUN for ALL players.

o If your team is dominating a game by more than 4 goals it is time to get creative.

\* Play your defense up top.

\* Play your goalie as your forward.

\* Rotate in your players that might need the extra touches on the ball.

\* Sit your "star" players or maybe let them "coach" (great way to build their understanding of the game)

There are good ways to win and bad ways to win.

REMEMBER THIS IS RECREATIONAL  
SOCCER

This is you in KYSC



✓ DO'S

✗ DON'TS



# Coaches Meeting “Takeaways”

ALL coaches, including assistants, must sign up with KYSC, must be registered in GotSport, must complete the Background Check, SafeSport, and CDC Concussion training

- Links are found on KYSC website under COACHES tab.
- Your background check has to be completed and clear before you get a team.
- YOU are responsible for your printed roster and coach badge.
- SafeSport, CDC, and background MUST be completed before the SECOND game,
  - *(See Coaches Manual for discipline policy)*
- Shift Change at Katy Park; Practice guidelines (located in the Coaches Manual)
  - Occurs EVERY weeknight at 7:00 pm;
  - You MUST vacate your practice area at 7:00pm & surrender it to another team; please plan accordingly.
- Find practice space anywhere you can. You only need grass, a ball, and some kiddos.
- ALL players MUST play at least 50% of EVERY game; NO EXCEPTIONS
- Don't forget the sportsmanship point!

Warn your  
parents about  
Traffic

?Questions?



# THANK YOU ALL FOR VOLUNTEERING!

Don't forget your

ROSTERS

*If you would like to do more,  
please see anyone in a Board  
Shirt to inquire about volunteer  
opportunities.*













