

Tolland TOPS Soccer Invites You To Join!!

Hello TOPS Soccer Enthusiasts,

I hope you have all had a great summer and are looking forward to the new school year. I want to take this opportunity to tell you about a soccer program for children that may not otherwise look to participate in Recreational or Club Soccer activities within Tolland. As you look to the fall and activities for your children, please consider this avenue of fun for them to join.

Through the Tolland Soccer Club, we offer an opportunity to children with disabilities of any kind, to learn and play the game of soccer in a non-competitive, yet challenging environment with friends and support staff of all ages. TOPS Soccer (The Outreach Program for Soccer) is sponsored by US Youth Soccer and the Connecticut Junior Soccer Association www.cjsa.org for young athletes with disabilities. The program is designed to foster an opportunity of learning, teamwork and enjoyment to any boy or girl, who has a mental or physical disability.

We are planning the Fall 2019 season and wanted to get some information out to you in advance. We will begin play on Saturday, September 7th at Crandall Park in Tolland at 8:45-10:00am. We also play on Tuesdays evenings from 5:45-7:00. The season goes until the first Saturday in November. The cost of the program this year is \$30.00 which cover the cost of a ball and jersey as well as the field costs.

Our program in Tolland has consistently had 20-25 players each year for over 20 years, together with numerous middle school and high school age buddies that are paired with the players assisting on the field with training and development. The program offers a friendly, supportive way to learn and enjoy the game of soccer. The program is open to all interested players ages 5-21 and is not limited to Tolland Residents.

We look forward to seeing you on the field.

Please also email Lisa Bowden if you are interested in being a buddy!

If you are new to the program and have any questions, please direct them to:

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