

## **Spring 2012 - Northside Soccer Approach for Recreational Plus Soccer Teams.**

**Document Purpose:** The purpose of this document is to describe the approach that Northside Soccer will be following for the Spring 2012 season for fielding recreational plus teams.

**U12 Rec Plus Guiding Principles:** Following are the guiding principles that are used as a basis for the approach.

- 1) The priority for Northside Soccer is to field a minimum 4 U12 inhouse teams.
- 2) The minimum number of children required to field a full in house U12 is 8 children per team. That equates to 32 total players.
- 3) The minimum number of children required to field a U12 recreational plus team is 12.
- 4) If Northside Soccer has less than 28 children enrolled by March 30th, we will not field a recreational plus team in the spring of 2010 (rationale for 28 children is that we expect to pick up a minimum of 4 children between March 30<sup>th</sup> and April 14th).
- 5) If Northside Soccer has 52 U12 children by March 30th, we will field two recreational plus teams in the spring.

### **U12/15 Recreational Plus Team Allocation**

- 1) Due to issues with previous approach of first come first serve basis, selection to the recreation plus team will be done via a lottery. If we have enough children for two teams, then we will field two teams (however: for U12 the priority remains the U12 recreational league).
- 2) Children age 10 but less than 12 by August 1, 2011 are eligible to play in the U12 recreational plus team and children age 12 but less than 15 by August 1, 2011 are eligible to play in the U15 recreational plus team. Children less than these age limits are not allowed to play up on these teams, however, may play up in the regular recreation teams if recommended and /or agreed to by the child's parent(s).
- 3) The lottery will be conducted on February 12th, 2012. Anyone wanting to play on the recreational plus team must be signed up by January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2012. After January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2012 slots will be filled on a first come first serve basis.
- 4) Children of the U12 recreational plus team coaches are automatically placed on the team.
- 5) Northside Soccer board members who contributed over 10 hours of volunteer work over the past season may chose to place their children on the team.
- 6) During the lottery, all eligible players will have their name listed on a piece of paper; each paper will be placed in a box. Names will be drawn from the box until the team is completed. The exact number of spots open to non coaches/board member children has not been determined.

### **Two other important notes:**

- 1) We will be checking birth certificates for each player to ensure we comply with the overall league rules.
- 2) To participate in Rec Plus, each player must be fully paid before the first practice.