

Hi Everyone,

Here is the tryout schedule for the Boys Modified Soccer team:

Monday, August 30 - 6:00pm to 7:30pm at Goff on the field by the bus garage

Tuesday, August 31 - 3:00pm to 4:30pm at Goff

Wednesday, September 1 - 6:00pm to 7:30 at Goff

Thursday, September 2 - 3:00 to 4:30 at Goff

Friday, September 3 - 3:00 to 4:30 at Goff

The team will be picked by the end of practice on Friday, the 3rd.

Players should bring water, cleats and sneakers, and shin guards. I will have soccer balls for the boys to use, but if someone likes using their own, he may bring his. Players should be at all tryout practices. If something comes up where you cannot be there, please let me know.

Our first game will be on Tuesday, September 14th, so it is important that everyone get as much practice with the team as possible. Also, players will need eight practices before they are eligible to play in a game.

There will be no practice on Labor Day.

If there are any other questions about tryouts, please let me know. There will be much more information provided to you once the team is picked.

I would encourage the boys to do some work in preparation for the season. It is very easy for me to see who has been working and who hasn't done anything since last season. There will be a running component to the tryout. The boys will be tested on passing, dribbling and shooting. The worst feeling for a player who doesn't make a team is to leave the field knowing he didn't put in the time beforehand to get what he wanted. Even if you are the best player, there is always someone working to take your place at the top.

We are doing preseason work with the jv and varsity boys Monday mornings from 11:00am to 12:00am and again on Wednesdays from 6:00pm to 7:30pm on the turf field at Columbia. All are welcome. I am at all these practices. The high school students are very welcoming and helpful. There have been some seventh and eighth graders there. This makes me very happy. I know it can be intimidating to play with these older boys, but being there shows something about your character and your determination to improve. Hard work and grit are always appreciated and recognized.

Again, email me any questions you may have.

Thanks,
Steve Taylor