

Competitive Boys Soccer Guidelines '23

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Middle school games will be controlled by the National Federation rules with the following exceptions:

1. **Participation:** SUSD only offers Varsity in the sport of Soccer.
2. Teams shall “suit up” at least 15 players for each game. All players “suited up” for a game must be played during that game.
3. All players must wear numbered uniforms with their school colors. Goalies must wear a different colored shirt and may wear sweatpants. Covered shin guards **WILL** be worn by all players.
4. A game will consist of 2 thirty-five minute halves with a running clock and a ten minute intermission.
5. Substitutions must be made from a the midfield line at the following times only:
 - During an injury stop in play
 - After a goal
 - Beginning of the second half
 - On a goal kick
 - On a throwin (by either team)
 - No substitutions will be made on corner kicks, penalty kicks, or free kicks.
6. In the case of a tied score, the game will end as a tie.
7. Home school must supply the following equipment:
 - Five foot corner poles with flags
 - Three game balls
 - Water coolers for both teams
 - Pennies if needed
8. When available, two officials will officiate each game using the “dual system” of officiating.
9. Players that received a Red Card will NOT play the remainder of the that game AND the next scheduled game. It is the responsibility of the coach to tell the Athletic Director of any player that receives a Red Card and the responsibility of the Athletic Director to report it to the District Athletic Director.
10. Competitive team roster numbers may not be reduced below a roster minimum of 15 players (unless there were not 15 members present for tryouts). Forfeit of game if roster is under 8 players or borrow players from the opposing team and play a scrimmage game.

Practice:

- Mon-Thur: 2:30-4
- All players must have water source
- All players must have soccer cleats
- All players must have shin guards

Coaching Philosophy:

It is my intent to drill the fundamentals of soccer into the players, this will foster development and growth. Teamwork, sportsmanship, intensity and discipline will be emphasized in practice and these traits should carry over into the games. The players will condition and will be held accountable for their actions on and off the field.