

INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the **FC Alliance Premier Soccer Club**. To help answer questions and avoid potential issues it is important that players and parents understand the philosophy, expectations, rules and policies of FC Alliance program ["Club"], as outlined in the following pages.

PHILOSOPHY

FC Alliance provides a comprehensive program for the youth soccer player. The Club's interest is the long-term development of each player, including ongoing improvement in technical skills and increased knowledge of the game, as well as personal growth and social growth as a valued team member.

Players and parents should understand that attendance and effort at practice could affect playing time. Playing time during state tournaments, where the primary objective is to win, is not guaranteed and will be at the sole discretion of the coach.

The team Coach will select tournaments, with input from the Coaching Directors, based on the perceived caliber of the team and the goals for the given season. These goals can range from player/team development (trying out new formations and tactics, equal playing time, confidence building), to ensuring players are showcased to college coaches, to going all out to win in State Cup competition. Some tournaments can involve major expenses and decisions need to be made many months in advance in order for teams to be considered for certain high-profile events.

The Director of Coaching assigns coaches to each team with input from the coaching staff. Decisions are made based upon what is right for the Club, the teams, and the players. There is no guarantee that coaches will be involved for a given number of seasons with any team, nor is there a limit placed on coaching longevity with a given team.

FC Alliance does not permit coaching by parents of players or any other spectators. No one on the sidelines should instruct players or complain to officials before, during or after a game. Positive vocal support and encouragement are welcome during the game. Parents and players should feel free to communicate with the coach and ask questions, but should do so only at the appropriate time and in the proper place. Players are encouraged to speak up and communicate for themselves as much as possible. Coaches are expected to communicate openly, honestly, and professionally with players about progress. The Club encourages player-coach or player-parent-coach conferences at appropriate times during the year. Coaches will provide two evaluations of each player per soccer year.

If a problem arises that a player and/or parent feel must be resolved, the Club has a policy that helps to effectively address it. The FCA Resolution Chart located on the Club website under Team Management provides some guidance on the appropriate steps to take.

Coaches are the primary decision makers and will work with their team managers to keep you informed of team plans and changes to plans when they occur. E-mail is the common method for distributing team information and should be used only to distribute factual information.

2011-2012 FC ALLIANCE PLAYER/PARENT AGREEMENT

This agreement shall take effect on the "Registration Date" recorded on the FC Alliance online registration system and shall (unless extended as otherwise set forth herein) expire upon the conclusion of league season play or post-season play if applicable.

This agreement by and between the registered player, hereinafter, ["Player"] on a team ["Team"] organized under the Northshore Youth Soccer Associations, hereinafter ("NYSA"), FC Alliance Premier Soccer Club, hereinafter ["FCA"], and the authorized parent(s) or guardian(s) of Player, hereinafter collectively ["Parent"] without regard to number, gender or form. By entering into this agreement, Parent grants unrestricted permission for the Player to participate in FCA and to participate in all practice sessions, games, and other activities. Parent agrees, and on behalf of Player agrees, that Player and Parent shall abide by the following terms, rules, requirements, conditions, regulations and guidelines of FCA as stated in this Agreement, FCA Operating Procedures, and FCA By-Laws, US Club Soccer and Washington Youth Soccer ["WYS"], and that failure to do so may result in sanctions up to and including dismissal from participation of FCA and any of its teams.

FCA Responsibilities. During the Term, FCA will:

- Register Player with WYS and, through WYS, provide secondary medical insurance coverage for Player's benefit
- Assign player to an FCA team appropriate for Player's age
- Appoint and manage coaches and trainers who, personally or through a designated substitute, will attend practices and pre-season, regular season, and post-season matches for Player's assigned Team
- Obtain practice facilities and coordinate league play for Player's assigned team.
- Arrange for referees and obtain and prepare fields for all league and post-season tournament "home" matches

Payment of Fees:

Parent shall be responsible for payment in full upon demand of any or all of the fees and/or costs required for participation by the Player in the FCA program and/or on any team of which Player becomes or is a member including without limitation the player registration fee as may be established by FCA at the beginning of each seasonal year, team tournament costs, travel expenses, coaching fees, fees of an independent trainer, payment processing fees, and so forth [collectively "Fees"]. Parent acknowledges that they have obtained and understand their financial commitment and obligations.

1. Player registration fees [Club Fee], which include NYSA registration fees, insurance, coaching, club administration, equipment, facility rental fees, referee fees, and other costs as determined by the association and club. The Club Fee is due at the time of registration. At its discretion, FCA may offer a monthly payment plan for the Club Fees through pre-authorized credit or debit card payments. Player and Parent agree to pay all Fees owed to FCA when due. The Club Fee is: \$1,423 for U10 Developmental Teams, and \$1,900 for all other Teams, unless otherwise amended by FCA. There is also a \$50 Volunteer Fee due at the time of registration. This fee is refundable after completion of commitment.

2. Team expenses [Team Fee], which vary per team, include the team entry fees to various tournaments, league registration fees; coaches travel reimbursement costs, and miscellaneous team expenses. Parent shall be responsible for any assessed Team Fee, and shall pay, such amount as the Team's Manager, after consulting with the Coach and team parents, determines to be required from each Player in order to fund the team's obligations. Player shall pay assessed fees from time to time in cash or by check in the manner requested by the Team's treasurer.

3. Uniform fees, which cover the costs of the mandatory uniforms, backpacks, duffel bags and warm-ups. The payment of uniform fees is paid at the time of ordering.

Failure to make payment of any of the required Fees at any time as established by FCA will result in the immediate suspension of the Player and Parent from participation with FCA at the sole discretion of FCA. Any request for an exception to this rule must be submitted in writing to the FCA Board of Directors, which has sole and complete discretion to accept, reject, or otherwise resolve such requests. Parent agrees that Player's Washington State Youth Soccer Association [WYS] card shall not be released nor shall they be permitted to participate in any league or state cup play until payment is paid in full.

No Refunds

FCA has a "no-refund policy" for Fees. If a Player is suspended from further participation due to an disciplinary action; if a Player leaves a Team; if an injury occurs; and/or if some other situation arises which prevents further participation in FCA or on the Team, there will be no refund, partial or total, of the Fees. Any request for an exception to this rule must be submitted in writing to the FCA Board of Directors within 30 days, which has sole and complete discretion to accept, reject, or otherwise resolve such requests.

The only exception is for a Player who suffers a Season Ending Injury. A Season Ending Injury is defined as an injury that requires a rehabilitation period of six (6) months or longer. If a Player suffers a Season Ending Injury the Player shall receive a refund of any pre-paid Club Fees based upon a prorated fee schedule or have future payments suspended if on an approved payment plan. A note from a medical doctor (MD) will be required to be submitted in order to receive a refund due to a Season Ending Injury. Player's Washington State Youth Soccer Association [WYS] card shall be released at the conclusion of post-season play.

Scholarships

FCA offers scholarships to cover the Club Fees. Scholarships are not awarded for a player's Team Fees or uniform costs. Team Fees remain the obligation of the individual player. Players deciding to transfer from FCA prior to the end of the season are required to repay in full all scholarship monies received by the player in order to be released from FCA in good standing. Parent and Player agree that Player's Washington State Youth Soccer Association [WYS] card shall not be released until payment is paid in full.

Code Of Conduct

Parent acknowledges and agrees that participation with FCA is a right and that failure to follow any of FCA's Conduct Rules will result in the suspension of the Player and or Parent and can include dismissal from FCA at its sole discretion. These rules are subject to amendment from time to time and it is the player/parents responsibility to ensure they are aware of all rules as amended.

Medical Release and Permission to Travel

Parent does hereby authorize and consent to medical, surgical and hospital care, treatment and procedures to be performed for Player by a licensed physician or hospital when deemed immediately necessary or advisable by the physician to safeguard Players health and Parent cannot be contacted. Parent waives their right of informed consent to such treatment.

Parent understands and agrees that there is the possibility of physical injury associated with soccer, and in consideration for FCA accepting the Player for its soccer program and activities, Parent hereby release, discharge and/or otherwise indemnify FCA, its affiliated organizations, member clubs and sponsors, their employees, associated personnel and volunteers, including the owners of fields and facilities utilized for any such program, against any claim by or on behalf of the Player as a result of the Player's participation in the program and/or being transported to or from the same. Parent authorizes coach, manager, other parent or agent of the FCA to transport as to and from club sponsored activities including but not limited to athletic and social events; and, do grant permission for the named minor to participate in all such activities.

Academic Standards

All Players will maintain academic standards and guidelines as established by the FCA Operating Procedures. A player may be suspended from play indefinitely until such time Player brings their grades in compliance or makes arrangements for supplemental educational support. Parent agrees to provide FCA with Players academic standing upon request.

Photo Release

Parents authorize FCA the use of Player's photograph or other likeness for the purpose of promotion of FCA, individual teams or Player. Parent further agrees to allow the use of Player's personal information by FCA for Player promotion. Parent waives and releases liability to FCA and any of its affiliates for any actions that may arise out of use of Player Promotion.

Survival. Participant's obligation to pay Club Fees and Team Fees shall survive the expiration of the Term of this Contract.

Governing Law. The laws of the State of Washington shall govern the interpretation and enforcement of this Contract.

Severability. If any provision of this Contract shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the remaining provisions shall continue to be valid and enforceable. If a court finds that any provision of this Contract is invalid or unenforceable, but that by limiting such provisions it would become valid and enforceable, then such provision shall be deemed to be written, construed, and enforced as so limited.

Non-Waiver. The failure of either party to enforce any provision of this Contract shall not be construed as a waiver or limitation of that party's right subsequently to enforce and compel strict compliance with every provision of this Contract.

Amendments. This Contract may be modified or amended only if the amendment is made in writing and is signed by both parties.

Entire Agreement. This Contract contains the entire agreement of the parties and there are no other promises or conditions in any other agreement whether oral or written. This Contract supersedes any prior written or oral agreements between the parties.

BY REGISTERING PLAYER VIA THE FCA ONLINE REGISTRATION SYSTEM, YOU ACKNOWLEDGE THAT YOU HAVE READ, UNDERSTAND AND ACCEPT THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS IN THIS AGREEMENT.