





## Catholic School Athletic Association 1949 Goldsmith Lane, Suite 101, Louisville, KY 40218

February 25, 2018

To all AD's and Soccer Coordinators,

CSAA Soccer try outs/practice begins March 1<sup>st</sup>. No parish sponsored clinics, practices, tryouts, or workouts are allowed before this date.

The registration form is available in the soccer tab on the CSAA web site at <a href="www.loucsaa.org">www.loucsaa.org</a>. This info must be filled out and <a href="returned to the CSAA office by March 7th">returned to the CSAA office by March 7th</a>, 2018. Make sure to completely fill out the form. The field manager form is also available in the same section. Rosters will be added by each school in SI Play after finalization on the system for soccer.

With CSAA approval Individual parishes/schools can merge as necessary for the 6<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade levels to form teams. If your school needs to merge it must merge with the same school at any level necessary. We will not approve going to one school for 6<sup>th</sup> grade and another school for 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Parish/schools thinking of combining must go through the parish/school Athletic Director or Soccer Coordinator. Permission will not be granted to any parents. Parish/school, officials must take the lead and coordinate to receive approval. "Shopping" for the best players is not ethical or honest. Final approval will come from the CSAA office.

6<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls who do not want to play co-ed soccer can merge with the same stipulations as above. This means a school is not allowed to merge at the 6<sup>th</sup> grade level with one school and at the 8<sup>th</sup> grade level with a different school for girls' soccer. Additionally, if a girl at your school plays for a girls' team with another school they are not allowed to play on the co-ed team of their home school. They are only allowed to play for one program.

4<sup>th</sup> grade soccer will remain co-ed soccer and mergers will only be allowed if necessary to form a team.

4th Grade divisions play 8 versus 8. Determine your number of teams accordingly. All 4<sup>th</sup> grade and under divisions will be a non-competitive league and there will be no league standings maintained and no post season tournament.

<u>Field Info:</u> Please provide information if your field is available to host games and if so what days/nights and times are available.

Any team dropped after the listed registration due date will result in the parish being charged the full franchise fee.

League play begins the week of April 9<sup>th</sup> and the tournament will tentatively begin the week of May 15<sup>th</sup>.

<u>MANDATORY MEETING:</u> There will be a meeting for Athletic Directors and/or Soccer Coordinators from each parish at the CSAA Office (1949 Goldsmith Lane, Suite 101) on March 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM. Packets and information for all teams will be provided at this meeting. Coaches are welcome to attend.

**CSAA Divisions:** 8<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade all girls' leagues (there must be at least 4 teams in each division to have a league). 8<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>grade co-ed divisions.

League hosts must provide scorebooks and game balls. Regulation size (24' x 8') goals are recommend. Please provide any field time available at your facility on the attached form.

**OFFICIAL BALL:** 8<sup>th</sup> grade will be the MIKASA SWL 5 OR LE 50. The balls must have black and white markings.

6<sup>TH</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade and under will be the MIKASA SWL 4 OR LE 40.

## FRANCHISE FEE:

The fee for 8th and 6<sup>th</sup> grade divisions will be \$325.00 per team. The 4<sup>th</sup> grade division fee will be \$250.00 per team.

Please contact the CSAA office at 456-2722 with any questions.

Thank you, Rick Arnold CSAA Executive Director

John Lyons CSAA Soccer Director