

WVFC PANHANDLE TOPSOCCER



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MISSION:

US Youth Soccer TOPSoccer (The Outreach Program for Soccer) is a community-based training and team placement program designed to bring the opportunity of learning and playing soccer to any boy or girl who has a mental or physical disability. Our goal is to enable the thousands of young athletes with disabilities to become valued and successful members of the US Youth Soccer family.

WHY WVFC PANHANDLE TOPSOCCER:

WVFC TOPSoccer is the only West Virginia Soccer Association and US Youth Soccer sanctioned program in the Eastern Panhandle and one of only three in the state of West Virginia. Our trained staff, coaches & Buddies will provide a safe, flexible, inclusive environment for children and young adults with special needs where they can experience the joys of soccer at no cost.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

INFORMATION SESSIONS

April 17, 6:15 PM Shepherd University Lot H April 20, 10:30 AM Ridge Road Soccer Fields April 23, 6:15 PM VA Hospital Front Lot

- -Learn about the mission of TOPSoccer and how you can help
- -Find out what TOPSoccer has to offer athletes with disabilities
- -Receive training materials

April 27, 2019 from 6:00-8:00 PM at DuPont Soccer Complex Pavilion

- -Review training materials, activities, and rosters for 4/28 event
- -Practice set up/tear down
- -Final Coach & Buddy training

TOPSOCCER EXPOS

April 28, 2019 from 2:00-4:00 PM and May 19, 2019 from 12:00-2:00 PM Spring Mills High School Cardinal Stadium

Get a first-hand look at TOPSoccer in action! The Expos are introductory events designed to give athletes and parents an overview of activities and an opportunity to get to know our Coaches & Buddies!

- -Check-in
- -Meet Staff, Coaches and Buddies
- -Training Drills and Games
- -Information Sessions for parents and caretakers

TOPSOCCER SERIES

Five weekly evening sessions in June-July Spring Mills High School Cardinal Stadium

- -The TOPSoccer Series will run in conjunction with the SMHS Boys Soccer Small-Sided Soccer Series
- -Athletes may attend any or all events
- -Concludes with:

TOPSOCCER PICNIC AND AWARDS CELEBRATION

WHAT IS TOPSOCCER:

- TOPSoccer (The Outreach Program for Soccer) is a community based program that is designed to meet the needs of children and young adults that have physical and/or intellectual disabilities.
- The program is geared towards player development rather than to competition.

THE HISTORY OF TOPSOCCER:

• US Youth Soccer, the nation's largest youth sports organization, started TOPSoccer in 1991 to provide young players with disabilities an environment filled with meaningful learning, developmental and physical participation opportunities through the game of soccer. The volunteer TOPSoccer Committee, representing the 55 State Soccer Associations across the country, works to help players develop, compete, and achieve success according to their individual abilities. Through the efforts of people like you, a whole new world awaits these children. Reach out to bring them into our soccer family.

WHAT SHOULD PARENTS EXPECT:

- That it will be a fun and meaningful experience for their child.
- That the games and activities will be adapted in ways that ensure the child will learn at his/her own pace.
- Practices and games will be organized.
- The program will improve the overall fitness, self-esteem and social skill of the child.