



Lynbrook/East Rockaway Soccer Club

TOPSoccer in Lynbrook

TOPSoccer (The Outreach Program for Soccer), a special program run by Long Island Junior Soccer League, and the Lynbrook/East Rockaway Soccer Club, is a community-based soccer program that is designed to meet the needs of children with physical and/or mental disabilities, from severe auditory or visual impairment, and orthopedic handicaps, to behavior deviations or mental retardation. Player participation and development are key elements of the program as players are placed in groups according to ability and NOT by age. TOPSoccer is designed to improve the overall fitness, self-esteem and social skills of your child, and to provide soccer skill development and free play for kids who are unable to compete in a mainstream soccer program.

This program enables children ages 5 and up, with mental, physical and or behavioral disabilities, an opportunity to participate fully in a soccer program. The League and our Club are dedicated to teaching children with disabilities the basics of soccer, the importance of teamwork, good sportsmanship and fair play.

What are the benefits of TOPSoccer for my child?

Your child will develop a sense of belonging to a community; learn the value of being part of a team, while obtaining improved self-esteem, fitness, and social skills.

What is the role of the TOPSoccer parent?

As a TOPSoccer parent you need to:

- Provide any pertinent information about your child to the coaches and administrators.
- Lend support in a positive manner.
- Provide transportation to and from all practices and games, ensuring that the player is prompt.
- Attend all practices and games.

What should families expect from the program?

- A fun and meaningful experience for you and your family.
- Games and activities adapted to ensure your child's participation.
- Safe and healthy environment.
- Parents will have the opportunity to network with other families for support and information-sharing.

When does the Program start and take place?