



Leaside-East Toronto Soccer Club

U11 (Born in 1999) Tryouts

It's that time of year again. There may be snow in the forecast but there are sunny skies, green fields and soccer games in the long range forecast. Tryouts for the Leaside-East Toronto U11 teams for the 2010 season are about to get under way. If you were with us last year then you know what we are all about. If you're new to our program then you'll want to know a bit more about our philosophy.

Our goal is to develop each athlete's individual skills, develop their ability to play as a team, and encourage a love for the game of soccer. The philosophy under which we intend to do that is:

- Hard Work – soccer is a physical game that requires stamina, strength and concentration. We will expect every athlete to work at *their own* peak level.
- Consistency – We will be consistent about what we expect of the athletes in terms of behavior, effort, attendance and we expect the same in return.
- Discipline – This refers to the physical discipline of practicing and playing to the best of their abilities every time as well as the discipline to govern themselves properly on and off the pitch.
- Fun – Ultimately, if the athletes aren't having fun then everything else is going to fall short. Winning is the goal of playing any sport, but it's the drive to win not the winning itself that brings the satisfaction. Besides, they're 10 and 11 years old. It should be all about fun at that age.

For the 2010 season, we intend to continue with two separate teams this year but now that we are moving to a full field, 11 a side game, the size of each team will be increased to 16-18 players from the 12 per team that we had last year. This means that there will be room for quite a few more players to join our program. We're very excited about the opportunities that this will present.

We will be starting our tryouts in March and will run into the first week of April, hopefully getting outside before we make the final selections. The schedule is as follows:

Thursday, March 4	6 pm to 7 pm @ SoccerPlex (101 Railside Road)
Thursday, March 11	6 pm to 7 pm @ SoccerPlex
Thursday, March 18	6 pm to 7 pm @ SoccerPlex
Thursday, March 25	6 pm to 7 pm @ SoccerPlex

(Additional outdoor sessions to follow, weather permitting.)

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See you at the pitch!