**Soccer Academy 2022/23 Application Letter**

Dear Parents or Guardians,

The Soccer Academy program at Abbotsford Senior Secondary School is a paid program offered to students who have a passion for soccer. The Soccer Academy is suitable for students of all levels of soccer with an introductory intermediate and an advanced level. The Soccer Academy will allow all students to improve their soccer skills and game play. Students will be grouped according to their skill level as opposed to grade level. The Soccer Academy has been fortunate to hire the services of three highly respected soccer coaches who will be providing the instruction for soccer classes. Rob Giesbrecht, coach of the women’s soccer team at Trinity Western University and HPL team, Mike Shearon, the head coach of the men’s soccer team at Trinity Western University, and Allan Alderson, former professional player and coach. Brent Ciochetti and Prentice Lenz are the teachers of the soccer academy and will be providing instruction for the Physical Education portion of the soccer academy classes.

The Soccer Academy will receive instruction from our three hired coaches twice a week, Tuesdays and Thursdays, from September through June, to help develop students’ skills and knowledge in the game of soccer. The remainder of the classes on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, will be used to cover the Strength and Conditioning portion of the academy as well as PE learning outcomes. At the end of the school year, students will receive credit for two classes, provided they have met the learning outcomes: one course credit for Physical Education 9,10,11, or 12 and one course credit for Strength and Conditioning 9, 10, 11, or 12.

The Abbotsford Senior Soccer academy can develop skills and knowledge for all levels of soccer players who enjoy the game. In addition to the soccer instruction, all students will receive a soccer ball, pinnie, shorts, shirt, and a hoodie for their soccer kit. We have provided a ball and pinnies to accommodate the new Covid guidelines. All out of Catchment or Out of District applicants must complete the cross boundary or out of district form and check off Soccer Academy.

The fees for the Soccer Academy are $750 for the year. These fees cover the costs for the soccer kit, soccer instructors and equipment. Once accepted into the academy, a non-refundable deposit of $150 will be charged and is required by June 3rd, 2022. The payment authorization confirmation form is also required by June 3rd, 2022 indicating payment will be in full or two installments to hold a spot in the academy. Please refer to the payment form for further information.

Reminder:

1. An application must be submitted for every student (New and renewal).
2. Every application must have a parent signature. (New and renewal).
3. Every application must be handed in and time stamped by the records clerk (Mrs. Glen).
4. Important dates:

A) February 1st, 2022 – registration for soccer academy opens.

B) April 1, 2022 – registration for soccer academy closes. Applications for entry into the program

 following this date will only be accepted based on available spots left in the academy.

C) May 2, 2022 – Applicants will be notified as to whether their application has been approved, denied, or

 deferred to a waitlist. If approved, applicants will be required to submit a non-refundable $150 deposit

 which will be cashed upon acceptance into the soccer academy.

D) June 3rd, 2022 – Deadline for successful applicants to submit the Soccer Academy payment form and

 pay the non-refundable $150 deposit to the school or School Board Office. Soccer Academy fee cheques

 will not be processed until September 1, 2022.

E) September 9, 2022 – Applicants with a deferred status are reviewed pending space in the academy.

 Deferred applicants will be notified as to the status of their application. After this date, admission to the

 academy is closed if all available spots have been filled.

Thank you.