

Parents and Players,

Players: Thank you for all your hard work and effort this week. It is noticeable how much you want to be part of this program. We are proud to have you representing our program, school, and community.

As we are wrapping up tryout week and beginning to speak to players about team placement, I want you to keep in mind a couple things. First, some will be thrilled about their placement, some will expect it, and some will be disappointed. Please be respectful to each teammate and how they may feel. Second, your placement is not an indication of potential. It is where we believe you are best suited at this moment. Only you can decide how good you will become. Third, control only what you can control: Your effort and your attitude and being a great teammate.

Parents: Your son may be thrilled, neutral, or unhappy about his placement. We strongly believe this program offers more than soccer- that it is a way to build young boys into men who will become strong, positive leaders in the future. Please use this as an opportunity to discuss values, character building, and opportunity.

Communication Chain: If your son has questions about his placement or if any other issues should arise, please have him speak directly with his coach. If he feels he needs more information, he should set up a time to speak with Head Coach Michael O'Reilly. If the issue is not resolved, we will then set up a meeting with you, your son, myself, and the team coach. Please do not reach out to us before your son does. I recognize this can be hard, as every parent wants to support their child. I ask you to use this as another opportunity to build confidence and conflict resolution skills in your son by encouraging and allowing him to bring up issues directly to his coach first.

Thank you for your time, support, and patience.

Kind regards,

Coach Michael (Varsity) Coach Isaac (Varsity) Coach Eric (Varsity) Coach Kyrl (JV) Coach John (B Squad) Coach Alonzo (C Squad)