

To: Folsom Lake Soccer League parents  
Subject: Respect The Game in 2017

### **Welcome to the fall season!**

As we head into the fall season starting on Saturday, August 26, the League would like to encourage coaches, players, family members, and club officials to consider how they will behave around their upcoming soccer games.

- Everyone will leave their dogs at home. No dogs are allowed at games due to insurance liability. If you bring a dog, you will be asked to remove your dog from the field. Failure to comply will result in dismissal from the game.
- Adults will engage in No-Directions Cheering, limiting comments during the game to encouraging all players (from both teams). Get Alexi Lalas' point of view by [watching his video](#) on silence on the sidelines lets kids learn and coaches coach.
- Adults will help children succeed in sports and live by encouraging children to exert maximum EFFORT; help children LEARN life lessons through sports; and urge children to get past MISTAKES and move on to the next play.
- Everyone will set an example by Honoring the Game, respecting Rules, Opponents, Officials, Teammates, and Self.
- Everyone will respect the referees. The referees are our sons and daughters, fathers and mothers, and grandparents. Our praise, respect, and admiration should be shown to them for taking on what is often a thankless task. If you disagree with an official's call, you will Honor the Game and be silent.

### **New in 2017**

The Folsom Lake Soccer League has implemented a weekly Honoring the Game Committee meeting for coaches, players, and parents who do not observe the code of conduct as described. Failure to comply will result in an invitation to the committee for explanation and potential disciplinary actions.

If you do have a technical or administrative complaint, the League encourages you to use the following Conflict Resolution process for [Folsom Lake Earthquakes](#) and [Folsom Soccer Club](#) to express your concerns.

### **Good luck**

Providing a positive youth soccer experience in our Folsom Lake communities is our priority by emphasizing Safety, Fun, Fair Play, and Development. Good luck to everyone participating in the fall season.

Best regards,

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