

## **Brentwood**

### **Outdoor Soccer**

#### **Team Selection Guidelines**

##### **For U8, U10, U12**

The intent of these guidelines is to provide a consistent and fair approach to the selection of players. The purpose is to encourage balanced teams, and to prevent any “blowouts”. It is no fun being on either end of an 11 – 0 game. With this in mind, the following guidelines have been established for coaches during the team selection process.

- Each coach will select their child first (e.g. if you have three coaches on your team, then your first round of selections will include the selection of the children of those coaches).
- Each coach will select one “A” player. After all coaches/teams have selected an “A” player, then the rest of the “A” players (if any), will be evenly distributed amongst the teams.
- Then the “B” players will be placed in the same manner, and then the “C” players.
- When placing players, every effort should be made to select “one” friend.
- Approx. half of the players should be first year players, and half of the players should be second year players.
- There should be a mix of both boys and girls (for mixed teams only).
- In fairness to coaches and players, the practice of selecting an entire team (based on a predetermined list) is discouraged.
- U8 only - Dr. Coffin team selections will occur first, followed by Brentwood. There is limited space at Dr. Coffin field, and historically more registrants select Dr. Coffin than can be accommodated. One of two things must occur, if possible, the Coordinator will try to move players down to Brentwood, based on their registration date (before the Team Selections) OR if a coach must volunteer to take a team down to the Brentwood field (thus freeing up space at Dr. Coffin
- U8 only - Placement of siblings on the same field for U4, U6 and U8 must be taken into account.