

Eau Claire Memorial Soccer – expectations

PLAYER Expectations:

⇒ Be There | On Time | Not Late - Soccer needs to be a priority in your life, manage your time accordingly.

- Punctual Practice @ 3:15

- 1st late occurrence = a warning.
- 2nd late occurrence = phone call home.
- 3rd late occurrence = a game suspension.
- 4th late occurrence = end of the season.

- ✓ *Students need to wear their own practice attire for practice.*
- ✓ *Failure to be on time will lead to a non-starting position and limited playing time*
- ✓ *Obviously a medical or a family emergency will be excused. Students must make arrangements with their teachers to make up tests and work on school work outside of practice time*

- Game-on @ Game-day

failure = non-starting position / limited playing time) It is your responsibility to mind the timetable provided. The bus will leave at the time stated.

- **Home:** we are class act hosts. (not on time = non-starting position / limited playing time)
 - **Varsity:** (min) 1 hour in advance of kickoff
 - **JV:** (min) 45 minutes in advance of kickoff
- **Varsity:** As outlined per match. It is your responsibility to mind the timetable provided.
 - **Away:** we are class act guests.
 - **JV:** as outlined per match. It is your responsibility to mind the timetable provided.

- ✓ *Students should bring both home and away uniforms to all games, students should bring black and white shirt, shorts, warm ups to all games.*
- ✓ *These outfits are for game day only (i.e. this means never to be worn other than competition). This is a matter of honor, respect, and practicality. You have all worked very hard to earn the right to wear the uniform, not to mention that this equipment needs to last 8 years.*
- ✓ *All students ride the bus to the game and all students ride the bus back. We can make an exception every now and again based on location and family visits. Paperwork needs to be filled out and collected from Memorial Athletics. **This needs to be handed in prior to the trip.***

- In General:

- A yellow card for dissent, reckless challenge or unsporting behavior will result in non-starting the following game.
- Playing time is not to be expected, it is a reward for excellence and effort shown in practice. However ultimately a reflection of what the coaches deem to be in the best interest of the team.

PARENT Expectations:

The boys and I really value & enjoy your support on the sidelines.

In General:

- ✓ *Please do not talk to the coaching staff about the coaching of the team; the direction of the program is far more important than a parents perspective.*
- ✓ *Please remember that our job is to run a program and not satisfy personal needs.*
- ✓ *Always take 48 hours to reflect before acting on an issue.*
- ✓ *This program truly is 'a class act', lets all continue to keep its solid reputation by all acting appropriate during the season. I would like all the opponents' players, parents and finally officials to think of Eau Claire Memorial Soccer as one of the strongest programs in the state. Not only in how we play the beautiful game of soccer but also the way we respect it.*

Please Do:

- Support Eau Claire Memorial Soccer.
- Make positive comments and offer reinforcement during games.

Please Do Not:

- **Coach.** The boys are trying to play a certain style and system and offering direction will only complicate your son's decision making. Your boy knows what to do, simply allow him that chance to make his own decision.
- **Officiate.** Please do not communicate to referees; this will only work against in the long run. Allow the coaches to communicate to officials at the appropriate times. The coaching staff will make sure that we are receiving fair treatment during games.
- **Jump the gun:** Before wanting to discuss an issue with a coach, please
 1. Always take 48 hours to reflect before acting on an issue.
 2. Talk to your son first and allow him the chance to provide insight into the situation. He probably knows why he is playing in that position or not getting playing time.
 - a. Your son should then talk to a coach and set up a plan of attack to aid the situation. This does not guarantee more playing time, the student has to react to direction and improve their game.
 3. Lastly, set up a meeting with the coaching staff in which all three parties (students, parent, coaching staff) can discuss and approach a sensible solution.

Go Abes!!

Coaches Kite, Klingensmith and Wirth.