

Parent information Sheet

What is the Tiny Tot program? The Tiny Tots program is an introduction to soccer for younger children. Experienced coaches will work on initial and fundamental soccer skills for players for them to learn basics of soccer and most importantly have FUN while developing new friendships and a love for the game. Each session will be divided into short 10 minute segments so that the little ones do not get bored. And parents are welcome to jump in and have fun and learn with the kids also!

What age is the Tiny Tots Program being designed for? The JFC Tiny Tots program is designed for the U4-U5 age groups for boys and girls. This encompasses the ages of 3, 4 and some 5-year-olds. All players are born in 2021 or 2022. This will be considered a bridge to future programs players may participate in at JFC as they get older

What days and times is the Tiny Tots program going to be held? The Tiny Tots will hold sessions on Thursday afternoons. 4:30-5:15 for boys' and girls' players. Since this program is new, times may be adjusted when we go forward based on participation numbers between boys and girls.

When does the FUN start? We will offer four sessions for these little ones. The dates will be: Thursday –September 4, September 11, September 18, September 25. If there is high interest, we will consider offering a second four-week session during November before the spring season begins again in February. This second session would be every Thursday in November. The cost would be \$40 for returning players and \$50 for new players. Only new players to the second session program would receive a shirt.

What equipment do they need to play? Players will need soccer cleats, Shin guards and a size 3 soccer ball. There is no need at these ages to buy expensive shin guards or soccer balls. The shin guards must be covered by soccer socks. Each player will receive a special soccer shirt with registration which will be exclusive to the Tiny Tots program.

What is the cost of this program? The cost is \$50 for 4 sessions which also will include a special t-shirt exclusive to the Tiny Tots program.

What happens if they are having a "bad day"? We realize these are very young children and they all can have that "bad day" at any time. No need to worry. We are used to this and are prepared to help them get engaged and get back to having FUN. In rare cases we will ask the parents for help as needed, but this will be kept to a minimum to encourage the player to have FUN.

Can parents be on the field and participate? Yes! Parents have three options. 1. You can sit on the sidelines to watch the sessions 2. You can just hang around the JFC pavilion and get to know other JFC parents or 3. You can be on the field learning with the kids. And in some instances, we will allow you to participate in the drills or games with your child!

Can you take pictures? Of course, you can! You can get right on the field to take great pictures and, if you email them to JFC, we will post them to the website and/or on our Facebook and Instagram pages! We would LOVE to showcase our players for all age groups.

Need more information? Contact the program director Coach Joe Joe Tharp at joejoe@pyrongroup.com