



THE CANTERBURY FOOTBALL CLUB

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Origins | Initial Chairman's Letter

April 22, 2019

Framework | Mission Statement

Dear Canterbury 3rd Grade Parents,

Beginning this Thursday, we are going to host CavKids boys soccer games at our home every Tue, Thu and Saturday (3:30-5). All Canterbury 3rd grade boys are welcome;

We plan to formalize this group into a Canterbury Club Soccer Team as we go. It will be a better experience for the kids than the local / public club options.

Details:

Canterbury Club Soccer (Formerly CavKids)

Fairmeadow Farm Soccer Field | Waterfield Home | 5018 W. Hamilton RD South, Fort Wayne, IN 46814 | tel: (949) 500-7007

Background: Canterbury often fields the best soccer team in the state. Canterbury students also have a rigorous academic course load, making their scheduling needs unique. One of Canterbury's greatest achievements has been the graduation of outstanding student athletes, capable of success on both the soccer field and the academic arena(s). Many have gone on to play soccer at Ivy League or other high-powered universities. The key to this has been esprit de corps, Canterbury kids playing with Canterbury kids - together, on the same team, from a very early age. This has fostered the kind of work-life balance that makes it possible to evolve success in every endeavor.

Eligibility: This program is exclusively for Canterbury students beginning in 3rd Grade. The program will follow them through to high school, at which time it will hand them off to Canterbury's Varsity Program.

Mission: Canterbury Club Soccer was founded with a mission to:

1. Build Canterbury boys to Canterbury High School Varsity Soccer;
2. Keep practice at 3:30pm so the boys can be home for family dinner, and have time to study (For those of you new to this, public clubs like Sports Club & United often schedule practices over dinner or late at night. Coaches are less expensive during those times);
3. Employ the best coaches in the state (Canterbury alumni have unique access to these coaches, and we will be compensating them);
4. Allow the boys to play with their Canterbury classmates so they build lifelong Canterbury friendships (Public clubs don't accommodate this);

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The Canterbury Football Club (CFC) (Roughnecks), powered by Indy Eleven, is a travel team that works to keep Canterbury boys at Canterbury, playing with their Canterbury buddies in a victorious environment, learning valuable teamwork and life-lessons along the way.



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5. Keep soccer fun. Love of the game will make them better players ultimately (as opposed to drills, drills, drills, which bore the life out of many public club players, and serve little purpose);
6. Play outside in every condition, rain or shine (above 33 degrees)(Public clubs move inside prematurely, and stay inside longer than necessary to make it less expensive to maintain their outdoor fields)
7. Limit travel to reasonable distance & reasonable intervals. Travel games will be few and far between, and only if they represent a remarkable learning experience for the players, and their families (public clubs overdo this);
8. Limit games to 2 per weekend, always on Saturday (This way families can bank on family time on Sundays. Public clubs often field games on Sundays);

Cost: We will determine a fair cost as we go, but it will not be more than the public clubs charge;

No Conflict Policy: Kids that play Canterbury Club will be asked to refrain from playing for other club teams. This is the Home Team, and we want them to take it seriously. We also don't want them to feel pressured to play for multiple clubs, as it can damage their academic career Games will be scheduled against public clubs as soon as possible (and we expect to win);

Practice will be Tue & Thu, always at The Waterfield's farmhouse (Fairmeadow Farm) on West Hamilton RD South, between Liberty Mills Rd & Aboite Center (park by the red barn). Games will be Saturdays. When the kids hit 4th grade, we may move to 3 practices per week. We welcome your feedback.

Chairman: Richard R Waterfield

Treasurer: Stefanie R Waterfield

Executive Assistant: Theresa Davis

Head Coach: We are thinking about whom to hire, talking with a number of obvious candidates. In the meantime, I will coach, and will need help from a few Dads...Parrish, Presser: That means you :)

I apologize if one or other of these emails are wrong. If we missed anybody, let me know.

See you Thursday at 3:30pm!

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