**2016 K-1st Grade Soccer Rules**

1. **Number of Players**
   * 4 Players v 4 players
   * No goalkeepers
   * Roster Size up to 6-9
2. **Field/Goal/Ball Size**
   * 90 feet by 40 feet wide
   * 4 foot wide by 2.5 foot tall (pop up goal)
   * The game ball used shall be a No. 3 sized ball.
3. **Game Format**
   * Four-eight minute (8) minute quarters
   * Clock will stop when goals are scored; clock will restart with next kick off.
   * Five (5) minute halftime; Two (2) minute between quarters
   * Substitutions can be made at any time when there is a stoppage of play.
   * A halfway line shall be marked and the center circle shall have a six-yard radius.
   * Games are to be fun and instructional in nature.
   * Score will not be kept/recorded
   * The team listed as home will have the first possession of the game; to start the second half, the visiting team will begin with possession.
4. **Rules of Play**
   * + Number of players: The maximum number of players for one team on the field at any one time is four (4). **THERE WILL BE NO GOALIES.**
     + **Pass-ins:** A pass-in is considered as a direct free kick with the opponents four (4) yards from the ball until it is in play. **This will be used in place of throw in’s, since most kids do not possess the hand-eye coordination to complete a throw in properly.**
     + There will be no off-sides.
     + **Goal kicks:** Goal kicks will be taken from the six yard marker. This will be a designated mark six yards out from the goal. Any player from the offensive team can take the kick and the opposing team MUST be behind the mid-field marker on their half of the field until the ball is kicked. The kicking team can kick the ball in any direction on a goal kick.
     + **Penalty kicks:** No penalty kicks will be awarded. Fields are not marked with a penalty box. Any fouls occurring against the defensive team between the goal line and the six yard mark will result in a kick taken at the six yard mark. **All kicks will be treated as direct kicks to keep the game flowing and the attention of the players.**
     + **Corner Kicks:** Conform to FIFA with the exception that opponents remain at least four (4) yards from the ball until it is in play.
     + Slide tackling is not allowed.
     + Player Substitution: Substitutions are to be made at any time when there is a stoppage of play. Make sure all players get equal amounts of playing time. Participation is our primary goal.
     + Coaches (one per team) **are** allowed on the playing field during games as long as they do not interfere with the game.

**5. Equipment**

* + - Footwear: Shall conform to FIFA with the following exceptions: Footwear shall include tennis shoes or soft cleated soccer shoes.
    - Shin Guards: All players shall play with shin-guards and they must be covered by at least one layer of a sock.
    - Jewelry: There shall be NO jewelry worn by any participants.
    - Jerseys: Jerseys shall be given out and are expected to be worn by all participants during games. Numbers are not required on the back of instructional league jerseys.
      1. Holden Teams: Blue
      2. Warrensburg Teams: Red, Maroon, Kelly Green, Purple, White, Grey, Orange and Neon Green
      3. WAFB Teams: Forest Green; Blue, Light Blue and Yellow

GENERAL INFO

The League Schedule can be found at [www.teamsideline.com/warrensburg](http://www.teamsideline.com/warrensburg)

The Warrensburg Cancellation Hotline phone number is 660-747-5100; in case of poor weather, the hotline will be updated by 4:00pm the day of games/practices.

The league format will follow this outline:

Outside towns will provide their own practice facility and if multiple teams, when those teams play each other, those games will be hosted by said town/organization.