

The Role of an MSA Coach

1) Encourage the players

- a) It's fun to win, but no matter the result, we want all kids to enjoy this experience.
- b) Learning to love the game is one of the most important components to a child continuing to play.

2) Teach the players

- a) The coach has a great opportunity to teach the basics of dribbling, passing, receiving, shooting, etc, along with life skills such as teamwork and effort.

3) Communicate with parents

- a) Providing timely communication to your parents regarding practice days and times and last minute changes will go a long way to this being a positive experience for all involved.

4) Ask for help

- a) That's where the MSA staff comes into play. Please use our support, that's what we're here for. 😊
 - i) *Scott Hunter, MSA Director of Coaching*
 - (1) Questions relating to practice plans, line up ideas, formations, referees and all questions relating to the coaching / game day piece of soccer.
 - ii) *Chris Whiteman, MSA Program Administrator*
 - (1) Questions relating to practice site field availability, uniforms, team contact information, picture day information and all questions related to the administrative soccer of being the coach.
- b) The MSA website and monthly newsletters will also help answer many questions you or a player on your team may have.

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Thanks and have a great season coach!!!