

# frequently asked questions



## **At a Glance:**

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### **FEES:**

<b>Regular Fee:</b>	\$65
<b>Late Fee:</b>	\$75 after February 5
<b>Shorts:</b>	These are optional and are an additional \$15
<b>Scholarships:</b>	Scholarships are available. See below for additional details.
<b>Last Day:</b>	Last day to register is February 18

### **REGISTRATION:**

Registration opens December 27, 2016. All registration is online. Visit the church website [www.kingsvillebaptist.org](http://www.kingsvillebaptist.org) to register.

### **EVALUATIONS:**

All Children Grades 1-6 must complete evaluation drills. Drills are optional for Pre-K & K. Sample uniforms will be available for sizing.

Friday, February 17, 2017	Evaluations 4:00PM – 6:00PM
Saturday, February 18, 2017	Evaluations 9:30AM – 12:00PM

### **VOLUNTEERS**

Parents can sign up to be team parents, coaches, assistant coaches, or referees. We welcome church and non-church members to volunteer (ages 7<sup>th</sup> grade and up). Applications can be found on the church website.

### **QUESTIONS**

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### AWARDS

- 🗣️ **When is Awards Night?**
  - \* Awards Night is Tuesday, May 23, 2017, at 6:30 PM in the worship center.
- 🗣️ **What is Awards Night?**
  - \* Awards Night is a time to celebrate our season.

### CAR POOLING & COACH REQUEST

- 🗣️ **Can my child carpool with a neighbor or friend?**
  - \* Car pool request can be made for practices on the registration form. A car pool link means that children practice at the same time. This does not mean that children will be placed on the same team. Car pool links work best for children that are the same age and gender. Car pool request are not guaranteed. A carpool request does not mean that their games will be at the same time.
- 🗣️ **Can I request a certain coach?**
  - \* Coach request can be made. Due to the nature of the division of talent in Upward sports, coach request are limited. Coaches are limited to 2 request each. Their children get first priority. Coach request are not guaranteed.
- 🗣️ **Can I coach my child?**
  - \* Yes! We welcome parents to our coaching staff. We ask for a willingness to learn and a love of children. Soccer knowledge is not required.

### COACHING

- 🗣️ **Who can coach?**
  - \* Members of KBC, parents, grandparents, and other family members are invited to coach. Junior high and high school students are invited to assist.
- 🗣️ **What is expected of an Upward coach?**
  - \* Soccer knowledge is not a requirement for Upward Soccer. We are looking for older teens and adults with a willingness to be a dynamic coach. A dynamic Upward Coach is one who combines a great ministry experience and a great sporting experience for every player. An Upward Coach will be expected to maintain the integrity of the Upward program and KBC by following Upward guidelines consistently. A Coach must also be a KBC member or have a solid Upward experience and church background. You will coach with a partner who will help in carrying out required tasks.
- 🗣️ **When and what is coaches training?**
  - \* Coaches training is Saturday, March 4, from 9:30 AM - 12:00 noon. Coaches Training will give coaches all the tools necessary to lead a team in a successful season.

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## EVALUATIONS

### 🕒 **What are evaluations?**

- \* Evaluations are the final step in the registration process. Parents have an opportunity to see sample uniforms for sizing. Players' skill level is evaluated. Skill level determines what team a player is on but no player will be turned away. Evaluations are not try outs. They are used to create even ability teams.

### 🕒 **Where are evaluations?**

- \* Evaluations start on the first floor of the Children's Building (2-story building). Players then move to the soccer fields where evaluations are completed.

## FEES

### 🕒 **What is included?**

- \* Registration fee includes water bottle, jersey, scripture cards, car magnet, socks, and end of season award. Shorts, shin guards, and cleats are not included.

### 🕒 **Is financial assistance available?**

- \* Yes. Scholarships are available to players in need. Applications are available online or in the church office. Scholarships cover a portion of the registration fee. **MUST APPLY BY February 5, 2017**
- \* We also have a cleat/shin guard exchange at evaluations.

### 🕒 **What is the cost of uniforms?**

- \* Jerseys are included in the registration fee. Players may wear any shorts. Upward Shorts are optional at an additional \$15.

### 🕒 **Why are shorts offered separate?**

- \* Shorts are offered separately to keep families cost down. Players can wear any style and fshorts.

## GAMES

### 🕒 **When are the games?**

- \* Games begin on March 25 and are held most Saturdays throughout April and May.

### 🕒 **What types of devotions happen during the games?**

- \* Spectators will hear personal testimonies or receive written testimonies during half time at each game.

### 🕒 **What time are the games?**

- \* Games are played from 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM. Each team will receive a schedule at the beginning of the season.

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## PLAYERS

- ⦿ **What age children can play?**
  - \* Players must be four years old by February 1, 2017 thru 6<sup>th</sup> grade.
- ⦿ **My child is in seventh grade, can they participate?**
  - \* Seventh graders and older are invited to join our coaching staff.
- ⦿ **How are age groups divided?**
  - \* Teams are grouped in the following categories:
    - PreK – Kindergarten play co-ed
    - 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Boys
    - 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Girls
    - 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys
    - 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls
- ⦿ **My child plays really well. Is there an advanced team?**
  - \* No. Player ability is determined at evaluations. Children are then placed on teams so that the talent is equally distributed across all teams.
- ⦿ **My child plays really well. But is under 4 years old, can he/she play?**
  - \* No. For the safety of all children, players must be at least 4 years old to play.
- ⦿ **Who can play?**
  - \* All girls and boys, ages 4 years old – 6<sup>th</sup> grade. This is a community league and is not just for KBC members. Special needs players can be accommodated as well.

## PRACTICE

- ⦿ **What time are the practices?**
  - \* Players practice one time per week for one hour. Practice times are Monday, Tuesday, or Thursday at 5:30 PM or 6:30 PM.
- ⦿ **What happens at practice?**
  - \* Practices usually consist of 20 – 25 minutes of skills and drills; 5-10 minutes of devotion & water break; 20 – 25 minutes of scrimmaging. Total practice time is 60 minutes.
- ⦿ **What do players learn during practice devotions?**
  - \* Players will be studying the character of Jesus Christ and memorizing scripture.

## UNIFORM, SHORTS, CLEATS AND SHIN GUARDS

- ⦿ **How much is the uniform?**
  - \* The registration fee of \$65 includes a jersey and socks.
- ⦿ **Are Upward shorts required?**
  - \* No. Shorts are offered separately to keep families cost down. Players can wear any shorts.
- ⦿ **What color are the uniforms?**
  - \* Uniforms are lime green.

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☉ **What color should the shorts be?**

- \* Shorts that are not purchased through Upward can be any color.

☉ **Are cleats and shin guards required?**

- \* Yes, for player safety each player must have shin guards and soccer cleats. Soccer cleats are different from baseball/softball cleats. These items are inexpensive and can be purchased at several local stores. There is an exchange of used shin guards and cleats at Evaluations. Parents can check then for used items or bring in their used ones.

## WHERE

☉ **Where are the soccer fields?**

- \* The soccer fields are located behind the church parking lots.