



WVFC CLUB PHILOSOPHY AND GOALS 2021-22 SEASON

The following document has been formed based on input and ideas from the Technical Staff at West Van FC.

Club Philosophy –

Individuals –To provide a fun, challenging and positive environment for each player that helps to foster well-rounded individuals.

Teams - For all WVFC teams to play exciting, attacking soccer that is defensively responsible and has a solid foundation built on teamwork.

Goals and Objectives –

- 1. This season, our goal is for each player to have FUN while playing and to enjoy their experience at WVFC!**
2. Our goal at all levels is to see players developing their all-round game
 - Technical – ball mastery, control, passing, and shooting
 - Physical – coordination, conditioning, and overall fitness
 - Psychological – decision making, speed of play, confidence and understanding
 - Social – communication, teamwork, and self-esteem

If the players improve and develop in these areas of their game while enjoying their soccer, then you will have succeeded as a coach. Especially at the younger age groups, we are not as concerned with the results (wins and losses), as we would prefer to see improvement by the individuals in these areas.

3. To help players of all levels reach their potential by developing them and offering enrichment programs for everyone to take part in.

4. All players at all ages will be given fair playing time and the opportunity to succeed on the field. As per our WVFC playing time guidelines – [West Vancouver FC \(westvanfc.com\)](http://westvanfc.com)
5. All players at U12 and below will be provided the opportunity to play in different positions and roles on their team to help them develop as well-rounded players. Players at U13 and above will play in 2-3 different positions where they excel and contribute to their team and can best develop long-term.
6. Player movement (during the season) – If a player on your team is excelling and deserves to be playing at a higher level, please let us know and we will do our best to move that player to a level that will be more challenging for them and to help them better develop. We will only be able to do this if it suits the current team they are on (based on roster numbers etc.) and if there is space on the team above. Our club strives to be about player development over winning games. A player moving up a level should be seen as an achievement for the individual player, the team as a whole and the coaching staff. Moving up and moving down is all part of youth sports, and we always do what is in the best interest of the individual player while keeping the team, as a whole, in mind too.

Different formations to play –

U8 – 4 a side (no goalkeepers) – 1-2-1 diamond (suggested) or 2-2 or 2-1-1

U9 – 6 a side - (5 players and a GK) – 2-1-2 (suggested) or 2-2-1, 3-1-1,

U10 – 7 a side (6 players and a GK) – 2-3-1 (suggested) or 3-2-1, 3-1-2, 2-2-2

U11 and U12 – 8 a side (7 players and a GK) – 3-3-1 (suggested) or 2-3-2, 2-4-1, 3-2-2

U13 and up – 11 a side (10 a side and a GK) – 4-4-2 (suggested) or 4-3-3, 4-2-3-1, 4-1-4-1, 3-5-2

Each age group will have a Technical Lead and an AGTC (Age Group Technical Coordinator) to help on and off the field during the season. Tech Leads and AGTC's are in place to help coaches and teams reach their goals. Please checkout our website to see who the Tech Lead and AGTC is for next season.

All the best for the season ahead!

WVFC Tech Department