

OLENTANGY LIBERTY GIRLS SOCCER 2019



*Even when you've played the game of your life,
it's the feeling of teamwork that you'll remember.
You'll forget the plays, the shots, and the scores,
but you'll never forget your teammates.*

**Challenges are what makes life
interesting and overcoming them
is what makes life meaningful.**

Patriots~

Get ready for another exciting and successful season of Liberty Girls Soccer! This meeting is designed to give you all the information that you will need about the season this coming fall. All of the information that I will present tonight, as well as all of the information you will need about summer workout suggestions, the fall calendar, and any forms you need to submit in order to participate in a fall sport can be found on our website: libertygirlssoccer.com.

Players and parents, at your **earliest** convenience, please check out the Liberty Girls Soccer website and complete the following:

- 1) **Fill out the [player profile & summer commitments form](#).**
*This will help the coaching staff know the girls that are planning to play soccer and who will participate in the summer tournament(s) and/or team camp. This will help us prepare for summer and fall activities. **Don't forget to submit your payment on the Liberty Athletic Boosters website** (when items are available for payment, they will be posted on the LAB homepage on <https://labteampayments.com/soccer-girls/>). **No cash or checks accepted.** See dates in the "Summer Opportunities" section. **A response is needed by June 1.***
- 2) **Download the [calendar on the website](#)** – this is essential.
We work very hard to publish the schedule now, almost 3 months in advance, to facilitate your commitment to the program.
- 3) **Sign up for the [SuperKick Summer Training Program](#), if interested.**
Great training and playing opportunity. See dates in the "Summer Opportunities" section.
- 4) **Review all information under the "[Resources](#)" section of the website.**
*[Summer Fitness Guide & Expectations](#) – tips for how to get fit this summer ☺
[Final Forms](#) – make sure all medical forms are turned in prior to August 1st!*
- 5) **Sign up for [Remind](#) for program updates.**
Sign up by sending the text "@pattys19" to 81010. Last year's Remind will not be used anymore.
- 6) **Follow [@pattysoccer](#) on Twitter.**

Coaching Staff			
Varsity Head Coach	Hillary Carter	Hillary_carter@olsd.us	(513) 617-9212
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JVB Head Coach	Mike Crosky	mikecrosky@gmail.com	(720) 643-9577
GK Coach (Volunteer)	Jim Waters	jjwbuckeye@gmail.com	(614) 264-2244

The Three Teams

Each year, we have a large number of players who try out. We will try to include all players if possible, but it ultimately comes down to the number of girls that we can accommodate with three teams. While we try to teach athletes many lessons beyond the results, we must recognize that by the time players reach the high school level of competition, game results are important. Therefore, we will try to put the best possible team on the field. The result is that all players may not play in all games.

JVB → Fun, competitive, developing skills and character, all players who fulfill the requirements of the coach are guaranteed playing time. It is our expectation that all players on this team will be working to improve and to move to the next level.

JVA → Fun, more competitive, development of high level of individual and team tactics. Everyone gets playing time, but it is left to the coach's discretion as to how much.

Varsity → Fun, most competitive, high level of tactical and technical ability, playing time is **not** guaranteed for any player.

The Patriot Philosophy

We are first and foremost **one program** made up of three teams. This means that we do not see one group as better than another, but that we are all working toward the same goal with the same purpose. We will emphasize excellence both on and off the field. We will demand a full commitment to the team and will promote the skills and characteristics that will help us improve. We will challenge all involved to fulfill their potential. We will become students of the game and will encourage the love of the sport. Most importantly, we will have fun through competition.

Forms

- All medical forms must be submitted on [FinalForms](#) before the first day of tryouts (August 1st). You will not be allowed to participate without submitting this information. If you cannot participate, the coaches will not be able to evaluate you.
- Registration does not open for next year until **JUNE**.
- All returning players from last year or those who have already registered on FinalForms, do not have to register again; however, you will need to re-sign all documents in **JUNE** for the next school year and designate "Girls Soccer."

Please follow all directions on [FinalForms](#) and send with your daughter to a summer session or mail the completed physical to:

Hillary Carter
3584 Home Rd
Powell, OH 43065

Summer Opportunities

Nothing is mandatory until August 1st, but summer activities are highly recommended.

SuperKick Summer Training Program

- Improving technical ability on the ball by maximizing individual touches on the ball each and every session
- Increasing player agility and speed with and without the ball so that they can play the game at high speeds when on the pitch.
- Raising the quality and pace of passing and receiving through a series of 1 and 2 touch activities
- Players are pushed to dribble, pass, and receive while moving at speeds in situations that are similar to the game.
- Providing a consistent and progressive training atmosphere to improve each player individually while improving team chemistry building up to the start of the season.
- Training sessions are developed with the needs of the program, helping players achieve their physical, mental, technical and tactical peaks before going into tryouts.

Cost: \$62.50/player

Date: Monday and Wednesday from June 10 – June 26 (no session on June 24; 5 sessions total)

Time: 7:00PM-8:30PM

Location: SuperKick

To register:

- Click the link: <https://www.superkickcolumbus.com/libertygirls>
- Create an account: if you do not already have one
- Enroll and pay via credit card

Players are enrolling for all 5 sessions. There is no prorated cost.

If you have any questions, need additional information or special circumstances for consideration please email Brian Smith at bsmith@superkickcolumbus.com

Strength & Conditioning (Lifting)

Run by Strength and Conditioning Coaches at OLHS

- Every Tuesday and Thursday through June and July, 8-9am @ OLHS Weight Room (no lifting July 3 & 5)

Open Fields

- Held on the practice fields each Tuesday and Thursday evening from 5:00-6:00p. Seniors will run open fields.

Kid's Camp

- June 10-13 from 6-7:30pm @ OLHS
- Juniors and seniors are expected to assist.

Fitness & Training Days

These are part of the 10 contact days we are allowed each year prior to the start of tryouts. They will be used as training sessions throughout the summer.

- June 24, 25, 27, and July 8, and 10 from 6-7:30pm @ OLHS (Practice Fields) – **TRAINING FOCUS**
- July 1 from 6-7:30pm @ OLHS (Practice Fields) – **FITNESS FOCUS**
- June 25 and July 10 from 5pm-6pm @ OLHS (Practice Fields) – **GOALKEEPER TRAINING (to be followed by team training)**

Summer Tournaments

1. Hilliard Invitational – July 13-14 @ Spindler Park (Hilliard, OH) **(for new players and returning JVA/JVB players)**
2. Pioneer Soccer Showcase – July 20-21 @ Jonathan Alder HS (Plain City, OH) **(for all players)**
 - Fill out the [2019 Player Profile & Summer Commitments](#) form if you can participate in one or both the summer tournaments. **A response is needed by June 1.**
 - The cost is \$25 per player (not per tournament) and needs to be completed on the **Liberty Athletic Boosters website** (when items are available for payment, they will be posted on the Liberty Athletic Boosters homepage: <https://labteampayments.com/soccer-girls/>). No cash or checks accepted.

Team Camp

1. 21st Annual High School Team Camp, July 15-18, 9am-1pm @ Spindler Park in Hilliard, OH **(for new players and returning JVA/JVB players)**
 - Fill out the [2019 Player Profile & Summer Commitments](#) form if you can participate in team camp. **A response is needed by June 1.**
 - The cost is \$125 per player and needs to be completed on the **Liberty Athletic Boosters website** (when items are available for payment, they will be posted on the Liberty Athletic Boosters homepage: <https://labteampayments.com/soccer-girls/>). No cash or checks accepted.
2. Ohio Northern High School Team Camp, July 14-17, overnight @ Ohio Northern University in Ada, OH **(for returning Varsity players only)**
 - Fill out the [2019 Player Profile & Summer Commitments](#) form if you can participate in team camp. **A response is needed by June 1.**
 - The cost is \$125 per player and needs to be completed on the **Liberty Athletic Boosters website** (when items are available for payment, they will be posted on the Liberty Athletic Boosters homepage: <https://labteampayments.com/soccer-girls/>). No cash or checks accepted.

Tryouts

Player/Parent Tryout Meeting

- Attendance is required for any player who intends to tryout for the 2019 season. At least one parent/guardian must also attend.
- Wednesday, July 10, 7:45pm

Please bring both **running shoes** and **shin guards/cleats** to all sessions. Don't forget lots of water.

- Thursday, August 1 – 7:30-9:30am and 6-8pm
- Friday, August 2 -- 7:30-9:30am
- Teams announced on August 2 @ 11:00am

The Season

Parent Meeting

- August 2 at 7:45pm @OLHS

In-Season Training

- The first training for all teams will be on Thursday, August 2, 5:30-7:30pm.
- August 4-15 – TBA
- August 16 through end of season – 4:15-5:45pm (unless otherwise noted)

JVA and Varsity Game Schedule (as of 1/29/2019)

Day	Date	Opponent	Site	Time	Notes
Saturday	8/3	Super 6 Scrimmage	Away	TBD	* Varsity Only *Scrimmage
Tuesday	8/6	Reynoldsburg	Away	5:30pm, 7:00pm	*Scrimmage
Thursday	8/8	Olentangy Berlin	Away	5:30pm, 7:15pm	*Scrimmage
Saturday	8/10	Central Crossing Super Scrimmage	Away	TBD	* JVA Only *Scrimmage
Tuesday	8/13	Big Walnut	Home	5:30pp, 7:15pm	*Scrimmage
Friday	8/16	Dublin Coffman	Away	5:30pm, 7:15pm	
Tuesday	8/20	Upper Arlington	Away	5:30pm, 7:15pm	
Thursday	8/22	Pickerington North	Home	5:30pm, 7:15pm	
Saturday	8/24	Oregon Clay	Away	12:00pm, 2:00pm	
Tuesday	8/27	Hilliard Davidson	Away	5:30pm, 7:15pm	
Saturday	8/31	Centerville	Home	11:30am, 1:00pm	
Tuesday	9/3	Newark	Home	5:30pm, 7:15pm	
Thursday	9/5	Dublin Jerome	Home	5:30pm, 7:15pm	
Tuesday	9/10	Olentangy Orange	Home	5:30pm, 7:15pm	OCC
Tuesday	9/17	Westerville South	Away	5:30pm, 7:15pm	OCC
Thursday	9/19	Hilliard Bradley	Away	5:30pm, 7:15pm	
Tuesday	9/24	Westerville North	Home	5:30pm, 7:15pm	OCC
Thursday	9/26	Bishop Watterson	Home	5:30pm (JVA grass), 5:30pm (Varsity turf)	* Youth Night Boys/Girls Doubleheader
Tuesday	10/1	Gahanna	Away	5:30pm, 7:15pm	
Thursday	10/3	Westerville Central	Away	5:30pm, 7:15pm	OCC
Thursday	10/10	Olentangy	Home	5:30pm, 7:15pm	OCC * Senior Night

***Please note: While not expected, there may be changes to the above schedule. Any changes will be communicated as far in advance as possible.*

JVB Game Schedule (as of 2/4/2019)

Day	Date	Opponent	Site	Time	Notes
Tuesday	8/6	Clear Fork/Medina	Away	4:00pm	*Scrimmage @ Butler School
Saturday	8/10	Central Crossing Super Scrimmage	Away	TBD	*Scrimmage
Friday	8/16	Worthington Kilbourne	Home	5:30pm	
Monday	8/19	Gahanna	Home	5:30pm	
Wednesday	8/21	Hilliard Bradley	Away	5:30pm	
Monday	8/26	Dublin Coffman	Away	5:30pm	
Wednesday	8/28	Thomas Worthington	Home	5:30pm	
Saturday	8/31	Centerville	Home	10:00am	
Wednesday	9/4	Olentangy	Away	5:30pm	
Saturday	9/7	Worthington Christian	Away	10:00am	
Monday	9/9	Hilliard Bradley	Home	5:30pm	
Wednesday	9/11	Olentangy Orange	Home	5:30pm	
Saturday	9/14	Clear Fork	Away	5:30pm	
Monday	9/16	Thomas Worthington	Away	5:30pm	
Wednesday	9/18	Dublin Jerome	Home	5:30pm	
Monday	9/23	Westerville North	Home	5:30pm	
Thursday	9/26	Jonathan Alder	Away	5:30pm	
Monday	9/30	Olentangy Orange	Away	5:30pm	
Wednesday	10/2	Westerville Central	Away	5:30pm	
Monday	10/7	Olentangy	Home	5:30pm	
Wednesday	10/9	Upper Arlington	Away	5:30pm	

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Team Rules & Expectations

- ❖ As a student of Olentangy Liberty High School, you have agreed to abide by the code of conduct outlined in the student athlete handbook, so there's no need to repeat it here. You have been and/or will be tested for illicit substances. **Understand this:** if it involves using (or even being in the vicinity) of drugs, alcohol or tobacco the consequences laid out by the student athlete handbook will be implemented. Please familiarize yourself with the athletic handbook and code of conduct; it can be found on the OLHS website under athletics. Poor conduct of other types will be disciplined, at the coaching staff's discretion.
- ❖ Give 100% all the time. Soccer is a physically and mentally demanding sport: as a team, we accomplish more. Any behavior deemed detrimental to the team will be disciplined at the coaching staff's discretion.
- ❖ Make a full commitment to practice and games. Excused absences include family emergencies, illnesses, and anything additional at the discretion of the coach. If you have an unexcused absence, you lose your chance to play.
- ❖ The consequences are cumulative and as follows:
 - 1st Unexcused absence – Removal from the line-up for one half.
 - 2nd Unexcused absence – Removal of the line-up for one game.
 - 3rd Unexcused absence – Removal of the line-up for two games.
 - 4th Unexcused absence – Removal from team.
- ❖ If you have an excuse and are going to miss practice, please call or e-mail your coach. This must occur **before practice**, except in an emergency situation.
- ❖ Be on time to team events. Live by the following: EARLY IS ON TIME, ON TIME IS LATE and LATE IS UNACCEPTABLE.
- ❖ Keep your grades up – academics are your first priority. Your inability to time-manage does not constitute an emergency on the part of the coaching staff. If you're struggling academically, please see your coach.
- ❖ Respect your teammates, coaches, and opponents. You will not always be best friends with everyone on the team, but you will respect them.

Your toughest competition in life is anyone who is willing to work harder than you.



Other Guidelines

Coaching Staff Communication Policy

Informational Communication from Coaching Staff

The coaching staff will do everything in our power to communicate changes to existing schedules as far in advance as possible. Please understand that some situations will require last minute decisions that may arise beyond our control. If there is adequate time, an email will be sent, the change will be posted on the website, and a Remind will be sent.

Issue Resolution

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns with anything regarding the soccer program that is not informational, please follow the below guidelines:

- 1)** The first communication should be from the player herself. If the issue is not resolved only then should the parents become involved. Be prepared to hear an honest response on why the coaches have made the decisions that they have. It is possible that we may have to 'agree to disagree' on subjects.
- 2)** Subsequent Discussions – should occur between player, coach, and parent, if necessary. Please call or email the coach to set up an appointment to **talk**. Email is not an appropriate venue for discussing issues concerning players.
- 3)** Further Escalation – may involve the Athletic Director, parent(s), player, and coach(es).
 - ✓ Appropriate concerns for a parent to discuss with coaches:
 - Treatment of your child, mentally and physically
 - Concerns about your child's behavior
 - ✓ Issues **not appropriate** for parents to discuss with coaches:
 - Playing time
 - Team strategy
 - Other team members

It is our hope and expectation that problems that might arise will be dealt with in a direct and cordial manner.

Lettering and Other Team Awards

Players will receive a Varsity letter if they play in 16 Varsity halves. Special circumstances and end-of-season team awards will be handled accordingly by the coaching staff.

Discipline Policy

Disciplinary matters are handled individually and at the discretion of the coaching staff. See "Team Rules & Expectations" and the Athletic Handbook for various guidelines.

**“DON'T ASPIRE TO BE THE BEST ON THE TEAM.
ASPIRE TO BE THE BEST FOR THE TEAM.”**