



# 2006 Boys: Freedom

## 2019-20 Team Expectations

The U14 Freedom enter their 2019-20 U14 season as the second team in the 2006 boys age group. The team is coming off a very successful 2018/19 campaign. There are high expectations for this group who continue to be pushed by the Head Coach John Larcinese and Assistants Jeff Davis and Ralph Navarrete.

Players in our 2006 age group have had the benefit of strong consistency in coaching throughout the entire age group and because of this close relationship throughout the age group players are close knit and virtually interchangeable. By not focusing on winning at all costs the boys have developed and understand the right way to play which just leads to success building on itself. Winning is not the primary goal, but it has been a happy by-product.

### Notable Achievements

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place, 2018 Central League Tier 3 (9-0)
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place, 2018 Whitewater Cup Classic Columbus Weekend Tournament
- Runner-Up, 2018 Whitewater Cup Classic Memorial Weekend Tournament

### Goals and Expectations for the 2019-2020 Season

The expectations for this group are simple this year, keep on moving forward. As a staff we are understanding of other commitments and distractions. All we ask from the players is that when they are together and we are working, to be fully invested in the moment. Only a few players on the team played school sports last year, this year everyone is eligible. Last year our attendance was excellent, this year our focus needs to reach that same level. Our team is making a name for itself which is interesting because we are a second team. It is easier to be the hunter than the hunted, we need to learn how to be both together.

As always, travel soccer requires that next level of commitment. Some of the dates that we expect soccer to be prioritized are:

Event	Dates
Fall Travel League Matches	Most weekends Sep-Nov
Columbus Day Weekend Tournament	Oct 12-14
EPYSA State Cup Matches	Select Spring weekends

## Anticipated Playing Calendar

### Summer: June - August

Training	2x per week with professional training staff ( <i>full calendar at <a href="http://methactonunited.org/travel">methactonunited.org/travel</a></i> ) 1x per week with team coaching staff	
Friendlies	Approximately 5 friendlies	May - August
<p><i>We recognize that some players are involved in spring/summer sports, and as such, try our best to schedule friendlies around player availability. If a player cannot participate in some friendlies due to conflicts, it is understandable and will not be held against him. Please remember that game action can not be replicated in practice.</i></p>		
Tournaments	Danny B; King of Prussia Colleen Reilly, Horsham Battlefield Blast, Gettysburg	Aug 10, 2019 Aug 17, 2019 Aug 24-25, 2019

### Fall: September - November

Training	2x per week (Mon-Fri) with professional training staff 1x per week (weekend) with team training staff	
League Games	TBD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Weekend games, primarily on Saturdays</li> </ul>	Sep 10 – Nov 13, 2019
Tournaments	Whitewater Cup Classic, Mountain Top      Wilkes-Barre	Oct 12-14, 2019

### Winter: December - February

Winter Academy	1x per week indoor training with professional training staff <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All Sports Center, Upper Providence</li> </ul>	Jan 6 – March 6, 2020
Training	1x per week training with team training staff	Intermittent as attendance allows
League Games	TBD	Mid-Jan to Early March
Tournaments	Battle in the Dome      Pottstown, Pa	Jan 4, 2020

### Spring: March – June

Spring Academy	2x per week with professional training staff	Mar - May
League Games	(none)	March through May
Tournaments	EPYSA State Cups ( <i>select weekends only</i> ) Memorial Day Weekend (exact tournament TBD)	Mar – Jun May 23-24, 2020

*NOTE: Because we are planning for events more than a year in advance, dates and tournaments may be changed based on tournament schedules, player availability, or a change in the level of play of the team.*



## Expected Financial Commitment

All of our teams at Methacton United value the commitment that our players, parents, and coaches make to our program. In order for families to plan effectively, we provide the following estimate of expenses for the coming year.

As discussed at [methactonunited.org/travel](http://methactonunited.org/travel), the fee structure for the 2019/2020 season has been changed in order to provide consistent and uniform financial expectations across all teams. The assessment rates vary from team-to-team based on their individual activity levels.

It is important to note that many teams offset their tournament expenses by conducting fundraisers at various events throughout the year or by soliciting donations from local businesses.

Player Payment Summary		
Player Base Registration Fee (to the club)		\$ 825
Player Team Contribution		\$ 475
<b>Total Player Payment</b>		<b>\$ 1,300</b>

