## Village Soccer League

Indoor Rules of Play: High School (9 v 9)

**Leadership**. At least one adult coach is required on the sideline of each match, but no more than two will be permitted.

**Clock**. All game clocks start as designated on the game card per the schedule. Please have a sense of urgency to start your game; do not be late. Matches are on a 45-minute running clock with no half time.

**Substitutions**. Unlimited substitutions can be made on the fly from the middle of the field. Game play will not stop.

**Slide Tackling**. Slide tackling is not allowed. If a player slide tackles, an indirect kick is awarded to the opposing team. If the referee deems the tackle egregious (cleats up, etc.), a yellow or red card may be given. Goalkeepers may slide in their own goalie box, as long as it does not present danger to another player.

**Punts & Drop Kicks**. Punts & drop kicks are not allowed. Goalies must throw the ball or kick it directly off of the turf. The ball must exit the goal box area before a teammate or opponent can touch it. An infraction results in a re-do.

**Penalty, Indirect, & Direct Kicks .** Penalty kicks, indirect kicks, and direct kicks will be enforced when appropriate.

**Throw-ins**. Throw-ins are not utilized. When the ball has wholly crossed the touchline, it is put back into play by a kick-in from the spot where it went out. All kick-ins are indirect.

**Offside**. The offside rule will not be enforced.

**Cards**. A player who receives a yellow card must sub out of the match and exit the field immediately. S / he can re-enter by subbing back in at any time per Nebraska's high school soccer rules. A player who receives a red card is out for the remainder of the match, exiting the field immediately. The team of the player who received the red card violation must play a person down for 4 minutes or until a goal is scored on them, whichever comes first.

**Attire**. All players must wear appropriate shin guards while competing. Players from the same team should match, at a minimum, in jersey color. Any standard soccer cleat is allowed, but not required. Tennis shoes can be worn. Players must not use equipment or wear anything which is dangerous to him/herself or others, including jewelry.

**Etiquette**. Do not enter the net until the match before you is over. Teams may choose either bench. The home team (listed first) must be prepared to change to an alternate jersey color if there is a close conflict. Please leave the field promptly when your match is over, so as not delay the next

match. Only water and sports drinks with a lid are allowed inside the net. Food and chewing gum are NOT allowed.

**Spectators**. Cheer loud! Spectators must stay outside of the perimeter net, and off of the turf. Bleachers that line the west side of the Fieldhouse and the southwest corner of the upper mezzanine are great places to cheer from. Outside sideline chairs are allowed. Please do not obstruct others from viewing matches.

**Code of Conduct**. EVERYONE who participates in this league as a director, coach, athlete, referee, or spectator will remain respectful and courteous to all stakeholders listed prior. You must follow directions from venue staff regarding Fieldhouse policies and emergency procedures. Violence, abusive language or behavior, obscene or indecent clothing, throwing things onto the field of play, or causing property damage will not be tolerated. This league is comprised of CHILDREN, and we will all behave in a manner that recognizes that.

**Fieldhouse Map**. Please enter and exit the turf space at the areas designated with a red star on the map below.

