

Soccer for kids with CP, Stroke or Traumatic Brain Injury

## **CP SOCCER**

Soccer is immensely beneficial for kids who have CP or have suffered some form of brain injury, but as they grow older it can be hard to keep up with their able-bodied peers.

Just as the US Paralympic Team sits between the US National Team and the US Special Olympics, CP Soccer is positioned between able-bodied soccer leagues and those designed for kids with developmental (cognitive) disabilities .

Our goal is to build a competitive league, where kids can pour their hearts out onto the field alongside other kids like them. We are the official feeder program to the US Paralympic National men's and women's Soccer Team, but we are excited to have players of all skill levels join our league.

The proven physical benefits of soccer will be matched with the emotional benefits of building a community of peers. Both are equally important to us.

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To learn more, please visit our website: **cpsoccer.us** 

# WHO QUALIFIES?

CP Soccer follows the same participation guidelines set out by the International Paralympic Committee for 7-a-side football. All participants must have cerebral palsy, stroke, hemiplegia, or traumatic brain injury which affects their motor coordination (physical disability) yet still enables them to run and kick a ball. Additional conditions may be diplegia, hemiplegia, triplegia, quadriplegia, monoplegia, dystonia, athetosis, ataxia, balance issues, coordination issues and weakness in certain areas of the body. Boys and girls age 6 to 18 are encouraged to attend and no prior experience with soccer required. Financial assistance is available.

# PROGRAM

#### WHAT

Kids come together regularly for training, playing, and fun.

#### WHERE

Bear Branch Park 5310 Research Forest Dr, The Woodlands, TX 77381

### WHEN

Saturdays in the Fall and Spring. Times to be determined. Check the website calendar for schedule updates.

### COACHING

Will be led by Coach Keith Johnson of HTX