

**TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
PHYSICAL EDUCATION CURRICULUM
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Introduction to Soccer

Soccer is the world's most popular sport, whether it is viewing or participating in the game. It is considered an "International" sport. The forerunner of the Greek game was called "Harpaston" and the Italian game was called "Calcio." England played soccer in the Middle Ages. In 1863 it became an official game. The USA's first college game was played in 1869.

Throughout the Soccer portion of the Physical Education Curriculum, students will learn to:

- enjoy soccer activities;
- dribble a soccer ball on the run;
- trap a ball standing still or on the run;
- use a full or side in-step kick;
- pass a ball on the run;
- catch a ground ball and clear it with practice;
- catch a medium high ball and clear it with practice;
- catch an overhead ball and clear it with practice;
- enjoy using the soccer skills in drills and games;
- play with safety;
- play for enjoyment, not grades;
- play to develop self-confidence in body awareness;
- play to build fitness;
- experience and attempt a volley kick (most coordinated will get this skill);
- practice the skills with some accuracy and enjoyment;
- follow directions in various drills and games;
- enjoy a challenge in new activities;
- improve accuracy of kick and trap;
- cooperate with groups and whole;
- use soccer skills in game situation;
- use positive encouragement to classmates;
- follow rules;
- be fair and share in playing;
- play in own area;
- stay alert;
- enjoy using all parts of body;
- use teamwork to add speed to the game;
- use the goal keeper skills in a game;
- encourage each other to avoid critical remarks when an error is made;
- know basic rules of soccer and terms, whether in discussion and/or written quiz, such as: penalty kick, free kick, indirect free kick, direct free kick, foul;
- demonstrate skills in drills to rate an "S", "G", or "O".

Evaluation

Evaluations will be made of each student's performance level by observing them in the following drills:

- Dribble on the run
- Trap
- Kick

Students will be tested on soccer rules (10 question True or False)