



BOYS U-13 HSA Select 06

Head Coach Greg Whitney

Bio I am life-long soccer player who has enjoyed the game both recreationally as well as competitively. I played on state championship teams at the club level in high school, for Western Washington University, as well as for a semi-pro team in my 20's, and I am currently playing for a men's team. I am an E licensed coach, refereed soccer for years, and have been a director for youth sports leagues for the YMCA both in North Seattle and in West Seattle. I have over 20 years of experience coaching youth sports teams for both boys and girls in soccer, basketball, and baseball, including two West Seattle Soccer Club teams. I enjoy coaching and have 30+ years of experience in working with kids and teens in the Boys and Girls Club, YMCA, various community sports leagues, as well as with coaching my own two children.

Coaching Philosophy I want to support kids and their families in leading a healthy lifestyle. I like to compete, am supportive of multi-sport athletes, and desire to make all sports fun. For coaching soccer I focus on teaching the technical skills and developing an understanding of the tactical skills needed to build successful defensive and offensive strategies. Most importantly I want kids and families to enjoy the game, build friendships, and learn the many life lessons that come with playing the "beautiful game" competitively - such as team work, personal resiliency, responsibility, respect, practicing and playing with purpose, and dealing with adversity... just to name a few.

Current/past teams (fall leagues) Head Coach - HSA Boys 06 Select 2016 – 2018
Head Coach - Boys West Seattle Flames U5 to U8, 2011 – 2014
Head Coach – Girls West Seattle Hornets U5 to U16, 2000 - 2010

In this past year In addition to coaching soccer select soccer I have stayed active in assisting in boys basketball and baseball.

Fun fact My family stays active with all kinds of sports and we like to spend time (when we can find it) at our family cabin on Lopez Island. Our oldest daughter will be graduating from Claremont McKenna College in the Spring of 2018 - Yeah!