



## **RHS Soccer Academy - 2nd Team Expectations**

To have consistency and to reach the next level in the RHS Soccer Academy the 2<sup>nd</sup> Team needs to be integrated with the 1<sup>st</sup> team program. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Team is essentially the training ground for future 1<sup>st</sup> team players. Both the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> team Coaches need to work together to accomplish the following expectations:

1. The 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> team players will be selected during the week of tryouts based on making the RHS Soccer Academy. No differentiating during tryouts for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2nd teams, just overall academy selection. 1<sup>st</sup> and 2nd team will be decided as training progresses and evaluation of players continues.
2. Training and matches of the 2<sup>nd</sup> team should follow the same style of play as that of the 1<sup>st</sup> team...ie...possession of the ball with quick short passes and triangulation as the dominant style of play. Great defensive play is the building block of our team, it is where we start. Build from the back and attack in top third. Teaching possession should be the dominant theme in trainings.
3. 2<sup>nd</sup> team will follow basic principles of the RHS Soccer Academy.
4. 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> team players will be inter-changeable on which match they play in a particular week. It will be based on the players attitude, effort and ability during training and matches. How they embrace the team values and culture will also play a part on how they develop to a 1<sup>st</sup> team player.
5. Final 2<sup>nd</sup> team awards and trophies will be similar to 1<sup>st</sup> team, emphasizing the RHS Program Core Values. All Coaches to give input to select the awards.