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WHAT YOUTH SOCCER HAS MEANT TO ME

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Youth soccer has been my way of learning about commitment. It's very hard to be a successful soccer player without being fully committed and dedicated to your team. It takes a lot of time out of your schedule, but now for me, it was all worth it because it is helping pay for a part of my college tuition. Early Saturday morning games almost every weekend have caused me to have to come home early from all my friends so that I wouldn't be too tired the next day and play bad. A lot of times, this would frustrate me because it kept me away from the fun my friends were having, but the next day when I was actually playing I didn't mind so much.

Soccer has been a big part of shaping me into who I am now. It has introduced me to all of the people who are now my best friends. Almost all of the people I hang out with play soccer. I really like it this way because on nice days we can all go out and work hard, or just play against each other.

I think it is good for all kids to be in some kind of activity while growing. I have noticed over the years, that those who are active in extracurricular activities are the ones less likely to be troublemakers. I am very glad my parents decided to put me into soccer because, in my opinion, almost anyone can do tricks with their hands, but not everyone can do tricks with their feet.