



## End of Season Parties / Recognition Tips

As the season comes to a close, it's time to start thinking about how to celebrate the season and recognize coaches, players and volunteers. Team Parents typically take the lead on planning end of season parties and recognition.

### End of Season Party

- Parties are a fun way to celebrate the season and recognize accomplishments and volunteers.
- In the past, celebrations have been held at Freedom Field, county and neighborhood parks, players' homes, pizza places (i.e., Brooklyn Bros'), Dairy Queen, Elevated Sports, Flying Squirrel, etc.
- Food ideas: pizza, BBQ, potlucks, etc.
- Please take the lead on determining the date, location, etc.
- Run your ideas by your coach, then schedule as an event in Game Changer.
- The cost of the party is split between families. Team Parents typically pay up front and families reimburse.
- A template to track reimbursements is [available here](#).

### Player Trophies/Medals

- Although it's not required, we encourage coaches to reward players with trophies/medals.
- You can also present award certificates (template is [available here](#)).
- Run your ideas by your coach for agreement.
- Two recommendations for where to purchase:
  - If you order online, [Crown Awards](#) is very easy, affordable, and fast.
    - Order in advance. Allow for processing time and to avoid rushed/high shipping costs.
  - A local small business we enjoy working with, is [Alpine Rio Creations](#).
    - This is a small family owned business in Snohomish.
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### Coach & Volunteer Recognition

- We also encourage you to recognize coaches and volunteers that played a significant role.
- Ideas: Thank you cards, baseballs signed by players, plaques, gift cards, favorite beverages, etc.



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