Palos Verdes AYSO

2013 Player and Parent Information

Hi Players and Parents,

Please read the following summary description of the Palos Verdes region (Region 10) of the American Youth Soccer Association (AYSO). We offer recreational and competitive soccer for players from 4 to 19 years of age.

The Seasons

Fall Soccer - We welcome about 2,800 players to our fall program. The season runs from September to early December. For our 4 to 7 year olds, it is recreational soccer. For players 8 years and older, it is competitive soccer with scores, standings, and play-offs.

Opening Day and Picture Day are on September 7, 2013. The Under 9 (U9) to Under 14 (U14) age divisions start playing games on September 7. The U5-U8 divisions start playing games on September 14.

Most teams will finish the season by Thanksgiving. The U9-U14 divisions compete in our King and Queen-of-the-Hill tournament with the championships on December 7, 2013.

U16/U19 Fall Play – Our U16 and U19 players compete in league play against AYSO teams from neighboring AYSO regions. The season runs from September to November. Matches are played at the gorgeous Ladera Linda fields on Saturdays and Sundays.

EXTRA Fall Soccer – An even more competitive AYSO soccer experience for players in the U9 to U14 divisions. Players can try out for competitive Palos Verdes AYSO EXTRA teams that play in the fall against EXTRA teams from other neighboring Regions.

Post-Season Soccer – From late November through June, our select and tournament post-season teams play in competitive AYSO tournaments. Our Tournament Committee chooses select and tournament coaches from the fall for each age group. These coaches then select players for their age groups who were registered and played in our fall season.

Summer Soccer – recreational soccer played on eight Wednesday evenings in July and August at the Ladera Linda fields. We offer play in the U7 to U14 divisions.

Winter Soccer – recreational soccer for U6 to U12 players in January and February.

Blind Drafts and Team Formation

Balanced Teams is a fundamental tenet of AYSO. To form balanced teams, we use a double-blind draft in the U9-U19 divisions that is run by a division coordinator with all coaches present.

The U5, U6, U7 and U8 divisions are recreational. U6, U7 and U8 teams are formed by division coordinators, and they do their best to apply selection methods that result in balanced teams.

Under 5 & Under 6 Divisions

Our U5 division is a stand-alone program with a jamboree soccer fest curriculum. All parents will be encouraged to participate with their daughters and sons in U5 sessions and matches.

Our U6 division players are typically assigned by school and/or geography. You are allowed to make requests for your child to be placed on teams with their friends. Please write down any requests on your U6 child's registration form. We offer a popular one-day Saturday format. Each session begins with a short training session followed by 3v3 short-sided soccer games.

Player, Volunteer, and Spectator Conduct

Palos Verdes AYSO strongly supports and participates in the AYSO Kid Zone program. This nationally recognized program emphasizes the fun aspects of youth soccer. It requires that all players, volunteers, parents and spectators stay positive, supportive, courteous, and in-control before, during, and after soccer matches.

No jewelry (including earrings and studs) or casts are allowed on any player during practice or a soccer game. We do not permit players to cover earrings or studs with band-aids or tape.

More Information on Palos Verdes AYSO

For further information about our programs, please visit www.ayso10.com.

We look forward to seeing you on the field!!

Alan Kossoff

Palos Verdes AYSO Regional Commissioner