



AYSO United FAQ

What is AYSO United?

AYSO United is the official club program of AYSO, allowing players to play against other youth soccer organizations (non-AYSO) while enjoying the benefits of AYSO's six philosophies.

What is Club Soccer?

Club Soccer is the most competitive level of play where players tryout for teams and compete against other clubs. Each club may have its own philosophies and approaches to player development. Club teams are expected to travel to other clubs which could cover significant travel time over the weekends and for tournaments.

Who runs the AYSO United program?

AYSO United is a local based program that is managed and operated at the National level. There is a National Director which oversees the club programs, however the local program will be run by a club administrator and a Director of Coaching who is responsible for the coach selection and team formation.

Can anyone tryout?

Yes, anyone can tryout. However, parents should be aware that team spaces are limited in club and teams will not be formed on numbers of tryout participants. AYSO has a number of programs from Core, Extra to United which are designed to meet all levels of player's ability and needs.

What does that mean for my current team?

If you are currently on a Core or Extra team and you are selected for a United team, then once your current season has been completed you will be required to commit 100% to the United Team. Players selected for United will still be able to participate with their Extra / All Star or Select Teams, however there may be games and tournaments where there is a conflict.

Who coaches the team?

AYSO United Teams will be coached by professional coaches that are hired by the Club Director of Coaching. These coaches MUST have the minimum United States Soccer Federation Licenses as well as AYSO Coaching certifications. These coaches will be paid.

How long is the season?

Club season will be a year round commitment. Typically teams will play a spring season (maybe friendly games), Summer tournaments and then the Fall season (September – November). Most teams will then play state cup over the winter. Training is year round with a break usually over Summer (July) and Christmas (December).

How often do the teams train?

Teams will train a minimum of twice a week during the peak season, however there may be additional training requirements (goalkeeper) (Speed and agility). Typically, after the spring and fall teams may reduce to once a week to give players a recovery period. Practices can range from 1-2 hours depending on the age of the players.

What ages are the teams?

Club soccer follows US Soccer's mandates of calendar birth year so a player will play for their year of birth. For example if your child is born in 2006 your team will be the 2006 Team (U12).

How much will it cost?

AYSO United will cost roughly \$750 per season, \$1,500 for the entire year. The fees will cover the following: League Fees, field costs, two tournaments, registration fees). If you make a United team this January you'll pay only for Spring 2017 (\$750) then prior to fall season (September) you'll commit for the Fall, Spring and Summer (2018). Referee and Uniform fees are separate.

What are the next steps?

If you feel your child is ready for club soccer you should have your child attend one of our AYSO United tryouts. You should also sign up for the tryouts by visiting www.aysounited.org. If you feel this is not the program for your child, we highly encourage you to continue in your AYSO Region knowing that we are looking to give our families multiple options to meet all of their Soccer needs.