

AYSO

Six CORE Philosophies

AYSO's Six Philosophies are principles that separate AYSO from other sports organizations. These tenets were created to provide a positive, fair and fun soccer experience for all our players.

Everyone Plays®

AYSO's goal is for kids and adults to play soccer, so we mandate that every player on every team must play at least 50 percent of every game.

Balanced Teams

Each year we form new teams as evenly balanced as possible because, providing a stronger learning experience for teams as they play teams comprised of similar ability. It also allows for each player to experience playing with a wide variety of teammates of different skill levels.

Open Registration

If you want to play soccer, AYSO welcomes you and gives all youth and adults the opportunity to register and play.

Positive Coaching

A coach can be one of the most influential people in a player's life, so AYSO requires they create a positive experience for every player in AYSO. Additionally, encouraging player's effort leads to greater enjoyment, improved skills and stronger motivation in players.

Good Sportsmanship

We strive to create a positive environment based on mutual respect rather than a win-at-all-costs attitude, and our programs are designed to instill good sportsmanship in every facet of AYSO.

Player Development

All players should be able to develop their soccer skills and knowledge to the best of their abilities, both individually and as members of a team, to maximize their enjoyment of the game.

American Youth Soccer Organization (AYSO) is a nonprofit and the oldest national youth soccer program in the United States. Beginning with only nine teams by a handful of soccer enthusiasts, AYSO was

established in 1964 out of a garage in Torrance, California, in an effort to ensure that American kids have the opportunity to be introduced to the beautiful game of soccer.

More than 50 years later, AYSO now has thriving programs for kids and adults in nearly 900 communities all over the country – and internationally in the Virgin Islands and Trinidad and Tobago – over eight million AYSO alumni, and a name that's recognized nationwide.