



AYSO REGION 186

Very Important Player (VIP) Soccer Program

Building Teams for Players with Special Needs

VIP VOLUNTEERS--FAQs

Should I volunteer for VIP AYSO?

Yes! VIP is a rewarding volunteer-run organization. Coaches, buddies and administrators are all volunteers. They help to ensure the program's success! Nationwide, over 220,000 parents, teens, neighbors, relatives, and friends lend their time and talents so that each child gets a terrific experience. In Trumbull, we have over 270 volunteers!

- ❖ 12 years and older
- ❖ From surrounding communities
- ❖ No experience required, but one time AYSO training required (background check for those over 18)
- ❖ Volunteer hours can be earned

What are my options as a VIP volunteer?

Buddy--assist with the Players, **Coach**--work with the Teams, or **Adult Volunteer**--assist on and off the field.

Can I sign up to volunteer if I'm a registered AYSO player or if I have a registered player?

Yes, registration as a player and volunteer can be completed at the same time. Guardians of players can also register to volunteer at the same time they register their player.

Where are VIP Volunteer registrations announced?

Registrations are announced on the Trumbull AYSO website, Facebook page, and on other local social media. Volunteers currently registered receive emails via VIP Program Director & Volunteer Coordinator.

When is registration & who must register?

Must complete every year. Fall/Spring season is early September, and Spring season only is mid March-early April.

NOTE: Must follow the registration process either as a: 12-17 years old **OR** Adult (18 years & older).

What are the training requirements to volunteer?

AYSO TRAINING REQUIRED FOR NEW BUDDIES ONLY. *Valid for all volunteering years (future refresher course may be required). Must complete prior to the start of season.*

**NEW Buddies--12-17:* AYSO's Online Training, one zoom Region 186 VIP training

**NEW Buddies--18 & over:* AYSO's Online training, background check, one zoom Region 186 VIP training

**Adult Volunteers:* AYSO's Online training, background check, one zoom Region 186 training session and possibly additional training depending on the volunteer role.

Where do I go to register and become trained as a VIP Volunteer?

Links for both can be found on the AYSO's [VIP Program Tabs](#) titled VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION & TRAINING

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