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Bi-Weekly Newsletter

# **SAYSO HAWK NEWS**

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## **It's hard to believe, but it's true! The season has begun anew!**

It's that time again. Fall 2017 is here, and it's time for some fun filled soccer games! From School Yard, Playground U4, and up to U19, AYSO Simi with its players, parents, refs, and coaches is ready for its greatest season yet.

Because AYSO is dedicated to the fun and welfare of the players, we always stick to our six core philosophies:

- Everyone Plays
- Balanced Teams
- Open Registration
- Positive Coaching
- Good Sportsmanship
- Player Development

**40 YEARS OF AYSO SIMI**

The aim of the game is that the fun of soccer allows for player development as the season progresses. It's amazing to see the progress of player skills from week one to week ten. At time passes, the joy of getting to see players grow throughout multiple seasons with their friends and families at their side becomes something unparalleled.

Lastly, until the next bi-weekly edition, the AYSO Simi board would like to welcome you into the fall season, and we encourage you to wave and say hello when you see us! Oh. That, and of course feel free to volunteer at those fields...



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SAYSO Editor



Opening day was a **huge** hit! Thanks to everyone for coming out and celebrating the beginning of the season! A special thanks to the following who helped make the event everything that it was:

- The Kiwanis Club
- Walmart
- Smart and Final
- City Auto Body
- 99.1 The Ranch



## VOLUNTEER POINTS

**Goal:** The goals of the volunteer points are to expand our pool of referees in AYSO Simi and ensuring our all-volunteer league continues to run smoothly. By requiring teams to train and certify referees, we continue to build and enhance our referee pool. We are also developing a core of volunteers to help with parking lot painting and field monitoring.

Final Points = Total Points from Wins and Ties (minus misconduct deductions) + Volunteer Points

### Total Points from Wins and Ties

Game Earned Points:	Points Per Game/Event
Win	3
Tie	1
Loss	0
Yellow Card	-1
Red Card	-2
Parent/Player Ejection	-1

### Volunteer Points

Volunteer Duty	Total Max Per Season	How Points are Earned
Assigned Volunteer Shift	3	1 per hour
Referee (either AR or Center)	5	1 per game
Field Maintenance Day	2	1 per hour

Referees must be trained and certified and referee up to five games during the season (they can referee more, but these additional games will not add to your volunteer points).

They may not referee their own child's games (U10 and above).

The referee also needs to be affiliated with the player's team.

Each parent who helps prepare the fields on Field Maintenance day (the week prior to the start of season) will receive 1 volunteer point which can apply toward 1 referee point for the season. 2 points maximum per team.



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**CALLING ALL**

**PARENTS!**

Want to get extra exercise and help your child's team? Then become a referee!!

Course will be held at Rancho Santa Susana Community Center 5005 E. Los Angeles Ave. Simi Valley 93063

**U6/8 course**

Thursday Aug 31 from 6 pm to 9 pm

Look out next season for more ref courses. This is our last one this fall, but various ref course levels are taught.

## **An Introduction to AYSO Programs**

- **School Yard-** The objective of the program is to provide young players and their parents with a "pressure free" introduction to the beautiful and simple game of soccer.
- **Playground U4-**
- U4 Playground is a unique program designed to develop children by focusing on improving a child's Fundamental Motor Skills (FMS) in a fun, parent participatory atmosphere utilizing age appropriate activities and storybook adventures. It is a 7- week Soccer based skills Development Program for players age 3 who would like to have fun in a soccer environment.
- **VIP-** Very Important Player (VIP) The AYSO Very Important Players (VIP) Program provides a quality soccer experience for children and adults who might have difficulty participating on mainstream teams. VIP integrates its players with the rest of AYSO by using "buddies" from other teams to help the players both on and off the field. Teams are made up of as few as five players, and may be coed. VIP teams are balanced like other AYSO teams, with players rated by size and physical ability.
- **EXTRA-** EXTRA is a program that offers organized soccer for players who want to play at a more competitive level. Club soccer teams are in place in many parts of the country, but for those who want to play harder and still be a part of AYSO, EXTRA is perfect.
- **AYSO United-**AYSO United is AYSO's official club program. Our club allows players to enjoy more advanced play, participate in intense competition and receive cutting-edge training while still enjoying the benefits of AYSO and its six philosophies.

## **SAFETY REMINDERS**

- **NO PETS** of any kind at any AYSO game or practice (excepted guide dogs with proper paperwork).
- **NO JEWELRY** of any kind including metal clips or bobby pins in the hair. Earrings for newly pierced ears **MUST COME OUT** for games.



**CAUTION**  
**SOCCER**  
**ZONE**

## **From the local AYSO121.org website...**

### **How a Local Community Pulled Together to Help AYSO Region 146**

August 3, 2017

Two weeks ago, Region 146's equipment shed was broken into. Player equipment such as balls, cones, first aid kits and more were stolen and/or vandalized. With the fall season looming near, the Daly City Region requested donations from their local community to help replenish the soccer equipment for the players this fall.

Fortunately, AYSO Region 146's surrounding community rallied together to raise money for the Region and our National sponsor, SCORE Sports even contributed, donating balls and pinnies to help get the Region back on its feet in order for the fall season!

It goes to show, that when press-upon hard times, you can reach out to your AYSO community!

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