

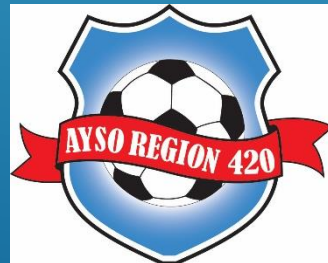
PARENTS MEETING SPRING 2019

AYSO Region 420



AGENDA

- Introductions
- About Us-Our Philosophies
- Playground Soccer
- Practices and Games
- Cancellations
- Equipment
- Being an AYSO Volunteer- How You Can Help!
- Becoming a Volunteer
- Kids Zone-Parent Pledge
- Let Coaches Coach & Refs Ref
- Silent Saturdays
- Questions



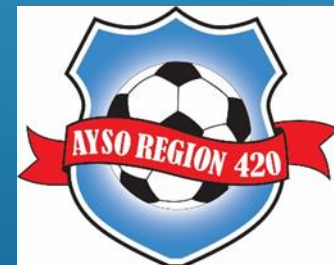
➤ Being an AYSO Volunteer- How You Can Help!

- Regional Commissioner: Samantha Barritt
- Registrar: Renee McNeal
- Treasurer: Crysta Wedekind
- Safety Director: Lee Hahn
- Coach Administrator: Shane Graham
- Referee Administrator: Dave McNeal
- Child/Volunteer Protection Advocate (CVPA): Jay Barritt
- Regional Board Member: Serena Clarkson

AYSO REGION 420 BOARD MEMBERS

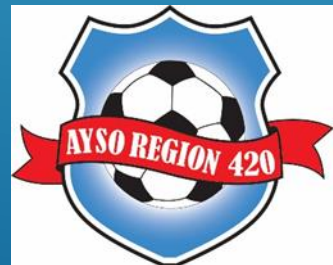
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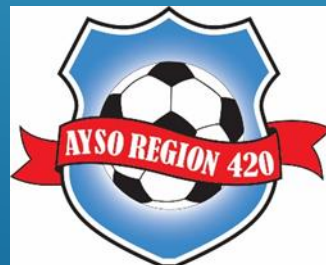
ABOUT AYSO

- **AYSO Vision Statement:** To provide world class youth soccer programs that enrich children's lives.
- **AYSO Mission Statement:** American Youth Soccer Organization's mission is to develop quality youth soccer programs which promote a fun, family environment based on the following AYSO philosophies...
 - ✓ **Everyone Plays**
 - ✓ **Balanced Teams**
 - ✓ **Open Registration**
 - ✓ **Positive Coaching**
 - ✓ **Good Sportsmanship**
 - ✓ **Player Development**



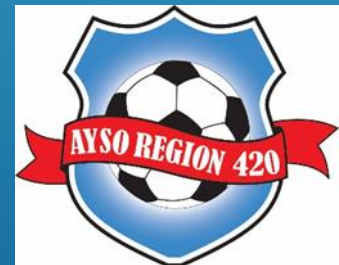
- **Everyone Plays** - Our Region's goal is for Kids to play soccer, so we mandate that every child on every team must play at least half of every game.
- **Balanced Teams** - Each season we form teams as evenly as possible, because it is fair and more fun when teams of equal ability play. Plus it allows players to learn from one another and grow as a team.
- **Open Registration** - Our program is open to all children between the ages of 3 and 18 who want to register and play soccer. Interest and enthusiasm are the only criteria for playing.
- **Positive Coaching** - Encouragement of player effort provides for greater enjoyment by the players and ultimately leads to better skilled and better motivated players.
- **Good Sportsmanship** - We strive to create a safe, fair, fun and positive environment based on mutual respect, rather than a win at all costs attitude, and our program is designed to instill good sportsmanship in every facet of AYSO.
- **Player Development** - We believe that 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, in order to maximize their enjoyment of the game.

THE PHILOSOPHIES



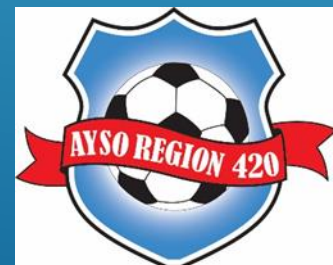
PLAYGROUND SOCCER

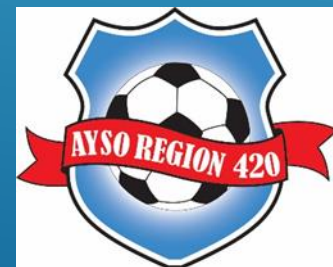
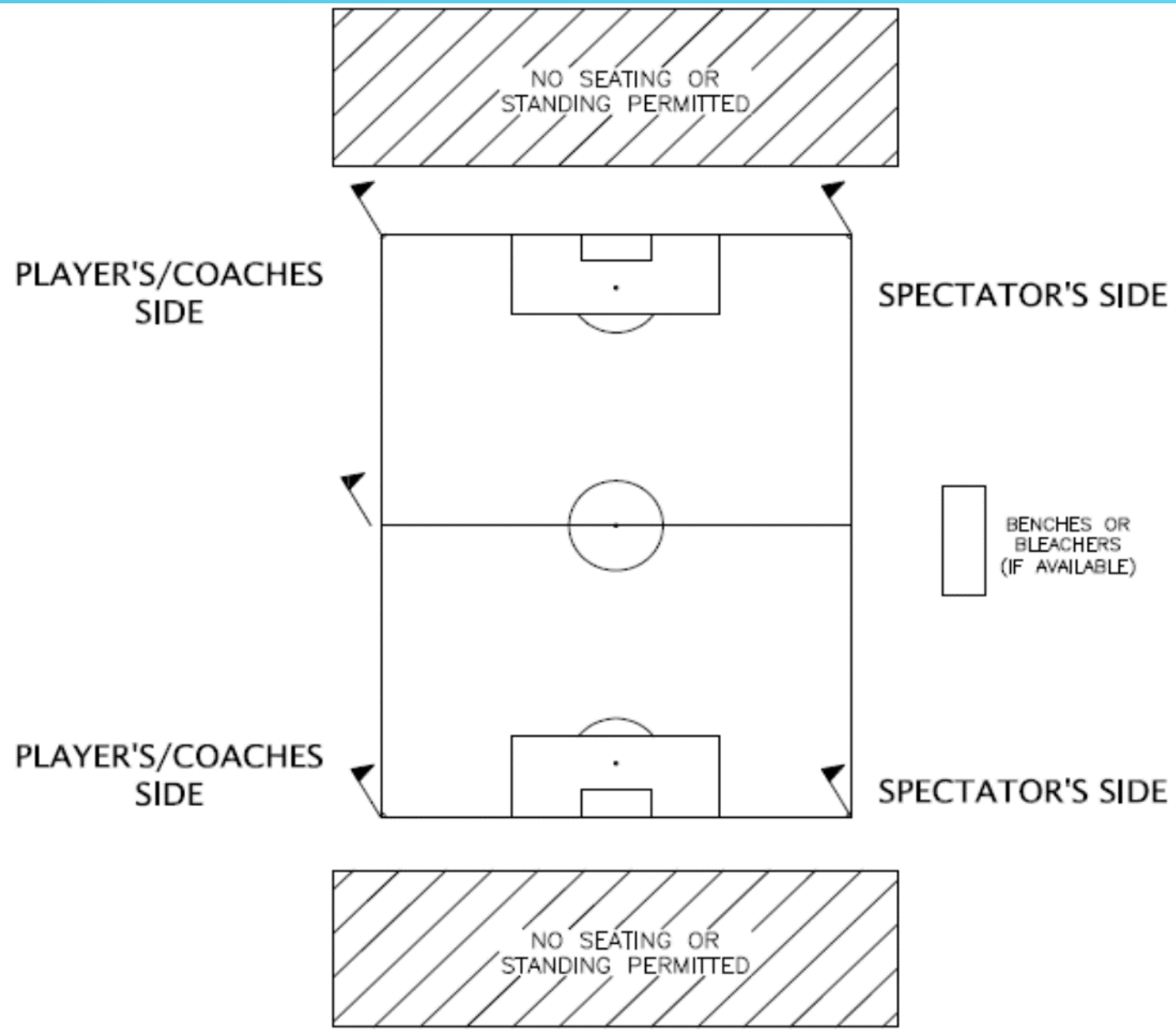
- THE AYSO PLAYGROUND PROGRAM WAS DESIGNED BY CHILD DEVELOPMENT AND SOCCER EXPERTS TO GIVE YOUR CHILD A FOUNDATION FOR SPORTS SUCCESS. THIS PROGRAM IS DESIGNED FOR CHILDREN RANGING FROM AGES 3 TO 5.
- AYSO PLAYGROUND USES GROUP ACTIVITIES, SOCCER THEMES AND PARENT PARTICIPATION TO DEVELOP THE FUNDAMENTAL MOTOR SKILLS THAT PREPARE KIDS FOR ALL SPORTS.
 - THIS IS NOT A SOCCER GAME. THIS IS FUNDAMENTAL MOTOR SKILL DEVELOPMENT THAT WILL LEAD INTO FUTURE SOCCER SPECIFIC SKILL LEARNING. YOUR PLAYER WILL HOP, SKIP, JUMP, RUN, THROW, BALANCE, KICK AND PLAY... ALL WHILE LEARNING BEGINNING SOCCER FUNDAMENTALS.
 - PLAYGROUND SOCCER IS A ONE-HOUR WEEKLY ACTIVITY WEATHER PERMITTING.
 - EACH PLAYER NEEDS A PARENT OR ADULT HELPER, BUT DON'T WORRY, IT'S EASY AND YOU'LL GET TO HAVE FUN WITH US!!



- 6U (3 V 3 OR 4 V 4) PRACTICE FOR A HALF HOUR ON SATURDAY MORNINGS WITH A HALF HOUR GAME IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING
 - SCHEDULE WILL LIST YOUR "GAME TIME" WHICH IS WHEN YOUR PRACTICE STARTS, YOUR GAME WILL FOLLOW
- 8U (4 V 4) PRACTICE FOR 45-60 MINUTES DURING THE WEEK AND THEN A GAME ON SATURDAY MORNINGS (APPROXIMATELY 55 MINUTES)
- 10U-12U (7 V 7) PRACTICE FOR ONE HOUR DURING THE WEEK AND THEN A GAME ON SATURDAY MORNINGS (APPROXIMATELY 55 MINUTES)
- 16U (9 V 9 OR 11 V 11-JAMBOREE STYLE) PRACTICE FOR ONE AND A HALF HOURS DURING THE WEEK AND THEN A GAME ON SATURDAY MORNINGS (APPROXIMATELY ONE HOUR AND 15 MINUTES)
- PLEASE ARRIVE 15 TO 20 MINUTES EARLY FOR GAMES 8U AND ABOVE. THIS ALLOWS YOUR CHILD TO STRETCH AND WARM UP WITH THE TEAM PRIOR TO THE GAME.
- WE UTILIZE A GATOR TO PROVIDE RIDES FOR THOSE UNABLE TO WALK FROM THE PARKING LOT TO THE FIELDS.
- PLEASE CHECK THE SANDWICH BOARD AT THE PARK ENTRANCE EVERY SATURDAY FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS, AS WELL AS THE NUMBER AVAILABLE FOR RIDES.

PRACTICES AND GAMES

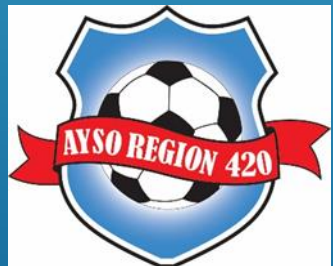






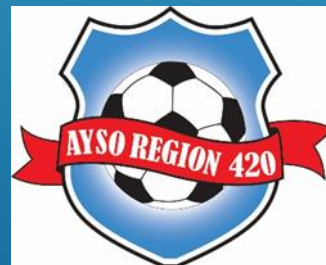
GAME CANCELLATIONS

- IF SOME, OR ALL, OF THE GAMES ARE CANCELLED DUE TO WEATHER, A NOTICE WILL BE POSTED ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE AND WEBSITE. WE WILL ALSO CONTACT US92 AND WJAG TO POST ON THEIR CANCELLATION PAGES.
- WE ARE GOING TO AVOID CANCELLATIONS IF AT ALL POSSIBLE AS IT WILL VERY DIFFICULT TO MAKE UP GAMES. ONE OF OUR ONLY OPTIONS WILL BE TO MAKE UP GAMES ON EASTER WEEKEND.

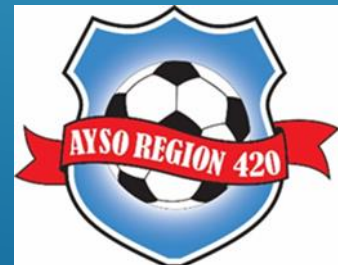


- UNIFORM (JERSEY, SHORTS/PANTS, AND SOCKS-TO COVER SHIN GUARDS)
 - SHIN GUARDS-MANDATORY FOR ALL AGES!!
- BALL TO BRING TO PRACTICES AND TO WARM UP BEFORE THE GAME
 - 8U and under=Size 3, 10U/12U=Size 4, 14U and Up=Size 5.
- WATER BOTTLE
- NO JEWELRY (EARRINGS, WATCHES, NECKLACES): MUST BE REMOVED BEFORE TAKING THE FIELD
 - MEDICAL ALERT BRACELETS ARE THE ONLY EXCEPTION!!
- NO SUNGLASSES-PRESCRIPTION EYEWEAR IS APPROVED
- NO CASTS OR SPLINTSEVEN IF THEY ARE PADDED AND THE PLAYER HAS BEEN CLEARED BY A DOCTOR
 - SOFT BRACES ARE OKAY-NO METAL INSERTS

EQUIPMENT (6U AND OLDER)



- ▶ 1. KIDS ARE NO. 1.
- ▶ 2. FUN, NOT WINNING IS EVERYTHING.
- ▶ 3. FANS ONLY CHEER, AND ONLY COACHES COACH.
- ▶ 4. NO YELLING IN ANGER.
- ▶ 5. RESPECT THE VOLUNTEER REFEREES.
- ▶ 6. NO SWEARING OR ABUSIVE BEHAVIOR.
- ▶ 7. NO ALCOHOL, TOBACCO OR DRUGS.
- ▶ 8. NO WEAPONS.
- ▶ 9. LEAVE NO TRASH BEHIND.
- ▶ 10. SET A PROPER EXAMPLE OF SPORTSMANSHIP.

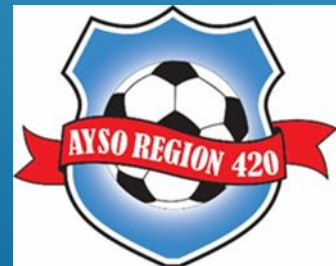


SILENT SATURDAY!



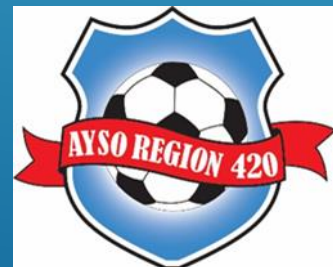
NO CHEERING, ONLY CLAPPING WHY?

- ✓ TO FOSTER TEAMWORK
- ✓ TO FOSTER COMMUNICATION
 - ✓ TO FOSTER LEADERSHIP
 - ✓ TO FOSTER RESPONSIBILITY
- ✓ TO REDUCE PRESSURE ON PLAYERS AND REFEREES
- ✓ TO REMIND COACHES PRACTICE IS FOR INSTRUCTION, GAMES ARE SHOWCASES
- ✓ TO REMIND EVERYONE THIS IS ABOUT PLAY, LEARNING AND FUN!



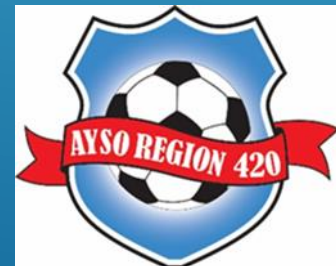
In my words and action, I pledge to:

- Attend and participate in team parent meetings.
- Be on time or early when dropping off or picking up my child for a practice or game.
- Ensure my child is supported and encouraged by family or loved ones at games.
- Encourage my child to have fun and keep sport in its proper perspective.
- Define winning for my child as doing his/her very best.
- Endeavor to learn the Laws of the Game (rules) of soccer and support the efforts of referees.
- Honor the game and show respect for all involved including coaches, players, opponents, spectators and referees.
- Applaud and encourage players from both teams and not yell out instructions.
- Not make negative comments about the game, coaches, referees or players in my child's presence.
- Encourage others to refrain from negative or abusive sideline behavior.



- COACHES AND REFEREES ARE USUALLY PARENTS.
- THEY VOLUNTEER THEIR TIME TO HELP MAKE YOUR CHILD'S YOUTH SOCCER EXPERIENCE A POSITIVE ONE.
- THEY NEED YOUR SUPPORT, TOO.
- WHAT COACHES AND REFEREES DON'T NEED IS YOUR HELP IN COACHING FROM THE SIDELINES. SO PLEASE REFRAIN FROM COACHING DURING GAMES AND PRACTICES.
- REFEREES ARE NOT THE "BAD GUYS." THEY ARE VOLUNTEERS, TOO, AND NEED YOUR SUPPORT AND ENCOURAGEMENT.
- TREAT THEM AND THEIR CALLS FAIRLY AND RESPECTFULLY.
- WE ASK THAT IN ADDITION TO RESPECTING THE OTHER VOLUNTEERS, PLEASE KNOQ THAT WE MAY USE YOU AS A CLUB LINESMAN TO HELP OUT OUR REFEREES DURING EACH GAME.

SPECTATORS



VOLUNTEERS!!

➤ WHAT ARE VOLUNTEERS?

- PEOPLE WHO GIVE FREELY OF THEIR TIME AND TALENT TO A WORTHWHILE GROUP OR CAUSE.
- A VOLUNTEER IS SOMEONE WHO BELIEVES THAT PEOPLE MAKE A DIFFERENCE AND IS WILLING TO PROVE IT. •

➤ WHAT IS AN AYSO VOLUNTEER?

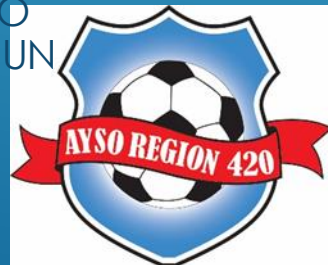
- A COACH, A REFEREE, A REGISTRAR, A FUNDRAISER, A FIELD MARKER, A PUBLICIST, A TREASURER
- MANY PEOPLE, ALL CONTRIBUTING THEIR TIME AND EFFORTS TO MAKE AYSO A GREAT PROGRAM FOR OUR SOCCER-PLAYING KIDS.

➤ WHY DOES AYSO NEED VOLUNTEERS?

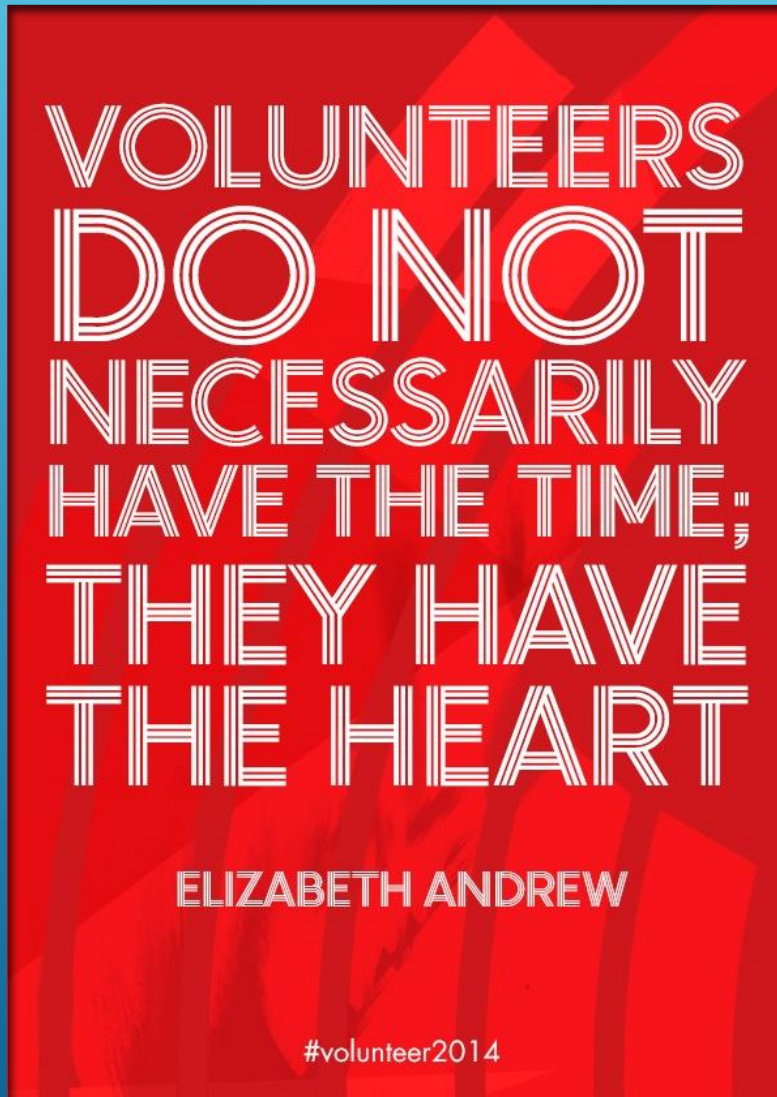
- AYSO NEEDS VOLUNTEERS BECAUSE PEOPLE POWER RUNS AYSO.
- VOLUNTEERS STRENGTHEN AYSO BY GIVING THEIR TIME AND ENERGY,
- THEIR IDEAS AND IDEALS. VOLUNTEERS MAKE AYSO HAPPEN.

➤ WHO CAN BE AN AYSO VOLUNTEER?

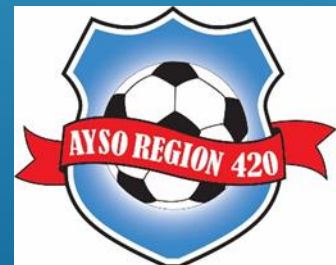
- ALMOST ANYONE CAN VOLUNTEER. MOMS, DADS, SISTERS, BROTHERS, GRANDPARENTS, EVEN FRIENDS.
- WE NEED WOMEN AND MEN, YOUNG, MIDDLE-AGED AND "YOUNG AT HEART" FOLKS.
- AYSO WANTS VOLUNTEERS WHO WANT TO HELP MAKE OUR SOCCER PROGRAM A FUN EXPERIENCE FOR KIDS.



HOW YOU CAN HELP!



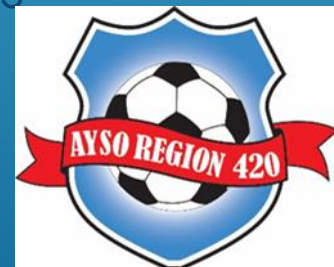
- ▶ NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY
- ▶ FREE AYSO TRAINING AND MENTORING
- ▶ LEARN AND INCREASE YOUR KNOWLEDGE OF THE GAME
- ▶ CONTRIBUTE TO PLAYER DEVELOPMENT
- ▶ COMMUNITY INVOLVMENT
- ▶ IRREPLACEABLE MEMORIES MADE WITH YOUR CHILD



HOW CAN YOU HELP?



- LOG INTO YOUR ACCOUNT ON OUR WEBSITE AND COMPLETE A **VOLUNTEER APPLICATION** FOR SPRING 2018
 - YOU NEED TO COMPLETE AN APPLICATION FOR EACH POSITION FOR WHICH YOU VOLUNTEER
 - YOUR INFORMATION SHOULD COPY OVER FROM EACH APPLICATION
 - IF YOUR UNSURE ABOUT WHAT TO VOLUNTEER FOR, PLEASE ASK A BOARD MEMBER ABOUT WHERE YOU MIGHT FIT IN BEST.
- SET UP **TRAINING** OPPORTUNITIES BY CONTACTING JAY BARRITT
 - CALL OR TEXT 402-302-4470
 - E-MAIL JBARRITT85@GMAIL.COM
- SOME **ONLINE TRAINING** AVAILABLE THROUGH THE **AYSOU**
- LINK AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE
WWW.AYSO420.ORG
- STAY TUNED FOR VOLUNTEER UPDATES COMING LATER IN THE SEASON!!





QUESTIONS

