#### THE AYSO OFFICE

Located in Torrance, CA, the AYSO Office provides support to our local programs and our National Board of Directors. Our outstanding staff is here to support AYSO programs and answer any questions AYSO families may have.

#### AYSO RUNS ON VOLUNTEER POWER

Built on the power of volunteer support, AYSO brings together community members to coach, referee and support their local Regions with the ultimate goal of creating a fun, family-friendly environment where your child can grow and develop not only their soccer skills, but their leadership and social skills for life.





# **READY to PLAY?**

Visit AYSO.org or scan to find the program nearest you!



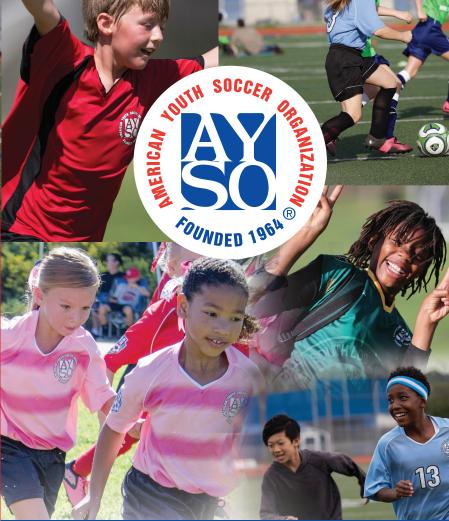


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Everyone Plays<sup>®</sup> | Balanced Teams | Open Registration Positive Coaching | Good Sportsmanship | Player Development



**AYSO** is a national nonprofit youth soccer program whose mission is to develop and deliver quality youth soccer programs which promote a fun, family environment built on the foundation of our Six Philosophies. AYSO's Six Philosophies 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, 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. Additionally, encouraging player's effort leads to greater enjoyment, improved skills and stronger motivation in players.

## PLAYER PATHWAY

AYSO has the complete Player Development Pathway, which allows anyone, from toddler to adult, to those with developmental disabilities, to play the beautiful game we all love.







For 4-6 years, Schoolyard perfectly transitions into the 4v4 game. Scaffolded FMS and SEL activities expertly combine with soccer-based games to gently introduce rules and help all players progress.

Designed for 3-5 years, Kickstart blends motor skill development and social, emotional learning with game-based play. Designed for 3-4 years, Playground Soccer prioritizes motor skills and physical literacy. Led by certified Activity Leaders, Playground is the perfect starting point for all children.



5 EXTRA<sup>®</sup> - A try-out based,

internal gaming-circuit that offers

players a higher-level opportunity to

refine their skills in a more competitive playing environment.

AYSO Core - Developing individuals within the team environment, our primary league-based programming has age divisions and levels for all players ages 6U-19U.



Our official club program, AYSO United presents optimal training and playing environment for our players, while maintaining our value system,



including 50% playing time.

Provides athletes of all ages with disabilities the additional support they need to fully participate in a quality soccer experience. Volunteer buddies help our athletes not only participate but excel in this wonderful program. A tryout based program for players/teams who want to play in either internal or external competitive gaming circuits as members of both AYSO and US Youth Soccer or US Club Soccer.



For players 18+ of any age or skill to get out and play. AYSO Adult Soccer helps you get out, stay fit, and have a good time with your community.

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#### **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.

#### AYSO PLAYER PATHWAY

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AYSO's "child first" approach with age appropriate, smallsided games makes it one of the finest athletic programs in the world. Development over winning is fundamental in AYSO as we strive to create a genuinely holistic experience.

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