

Mark Your Calendars

Parent/Team Orientation Dates:



For Albany, Jefferson, Millersburg, and Tangent areas:

Meet at: Timber Ridge Middle School
373 Timber Ridge St NE Albany, 97322

Monday August 8th

U10 Boys/ Girls 6:00 - 7:00pm
U12/U14/U19 Boys/ Girls 7:30 - 8:30pm

Tuesday August 9th

U5/U6 Boys/Girls 6:00-7:30pm
U8 Boys/Girls 7:30 - 8:30 pm

For Brownsville, Lebanon, Sweet Home, and Scio areas:

Meet at: Lebanon Senior center
80 Tangent St Lebanon, 97355

Wednesday August 10th

U10 Boys/ Girls 6:00- 7:00pm
U12/U14/U19 Boys/ Girls 7:30- 8:30pm

Thursday August 11th

U5/U6 Boys/Girls 6:00-7:30pm
U8 Boys/Girls 7:30 - 8:30 pm

* Due to scheduling conflicts the dates between the two locations were switched.

Double check the division your child will play. "U" stands for Under.

| Division | U-19 | U- 14 | U-12 | U-10 | U-8 | U-6 | U-5 |
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| Born Between | 9/1/97 -8/31/02 | 9/1/02 -8/31/04 | 9/1/04 -8/31/06 | 9/1/06 -8/31/08 | 9/1/08-8/31/10 | 9/1/10 -8/31/11 | 9/1/11 -8/31/12 |

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Welcome AYSO Families to fall season. I am looking forward to another exciting soccer season. This fall brings with it some exciting new changes. AYSO National is promoting this year's theme as "Stewards of the game". This is a responsibility that we all share. To help AYSO achieve its mission to develop and deliver quality youth soccer programs which promote a fun, family environment based on our 6 philosophies everyone is a steward of the game. A big part of being a good steward is by volunteering. AYSO is 100% volunteer. Our program doesn't run without you the parent and even the kids stepping up to volunteer some times. You don't have to wait to be asked. With over 1000 kids playing in our region there is always something that needs to be done. To find out more you may contact any one of our board members. Contact information may be found on our website www.ayso870.org

Other new and exciting events this fall includes new fields to play on in Albany. The City of Albany has been working with AYSO to rebuild the fields at Timber Linn. There has been a lot of work being done this summer to get the fields ready. There will be a lot more work that AYSO volunteers will need to do both during and after the fall season as well to continue the improvements. The final result being excellent safe fields for the kids to play games on that also provides plenty of room for growth.

FIFA has made some pretty significant changes to the laws of the game which took effect this summer. Please remember to be patient with our coaches and refs as we work to provide training on these changes. Remember if something doesn't look the way you know it regarding the rules of soccer. It's probably because it changed this summer. Let's all be good stewards and work with our coaches and refs to help everyone learn and understand the new rules.

Last but not least is our biggest change of the year. The regional board decided this year to say goodbye to Socctoberfest in the fall. This year we are doing something new. Opening day will begin with a jamboree on September 10th. Each team will play multiple shortened games to get warmed up for the season. All the games will be held at one location. The goal being for all our volunteers to work together in one place at one time and help build better relationships at the start of the season.

I look forward to working with all of you this year and watching the kids learn and grow through soccer. Welcome everyone.

Duston Denver
Regional Commissioner
AYSO Region 870

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Refereeing: Get in the Game!

Referees are an essential part of our games, and being a referee is fun! Referees get the best seat in the house, and we provide the uniform and all the training you need. The positive atmosphere of our league ensures a good experience for refs! AYSO is a volunteer organization and we can't have games without referees, so volunteer today and get in the game!

Scheduling is very flexible- Sign up to ref the game immediately before or after your own child's game-- we don't want anyone to miss their own kids play! We work around your schedule to take refereeing as easy as possible.

Questions? Contact our Referee Administrator, Leslie McWayne at Ref@AlbanyAYSO.org.

Referee Training Schedule

* Basic Online Companion Course:

Thursday, Aug 25 th from 6-9 p.m. at Hill Street Church 1805 Hill St. SE, Albany

Thursday, Sept 8 th from 6-9 p.m. at Hill Street Church 1805 Hill St. SE, Albany

Tuesday, Aug 30 th from 6-9 p.m. at Lebanon Senior Center 80 Tangent Street

Tuesday, Sept 6 th from 6-9 p.m. at Lebanon Senior Center 80 Tangent Street

Additional course information can be found online at

www.albanyayso.org/volunteers/referees

*You must complete Online Safe Haven, CDC Concussion Awareness

Training and Referee Training Courses at AYSOtraining.org prior to attendance.

New Soccer Jamboree

Practices can start the week of August 22nd.

Be sure to use these practices to get ready for the new Soccer Jamboree!

The Jamboree will be on September 10th

At Timber Linn park in Albany.

Coach and referee meeting will be at 8 AM games start at 9 AM

All teams will be there!

There will be coaches from the UK soccer camp program to help with skills for the U5 and U6 kids. Also because all teams from U5 to U19 will be there, it is a great opportunity to have the younger watch the older while they bond and prepare for a great season.

Be creative- create a team flag to display during the games- and keep it all season for team spirit! (But please do not add anything to the actual uniform).

Team signs and banners are some fun things for them to see while they play! Starting out the season with a Jamboree allows us meet all of the teams in one day- getting some great team scrimmage practice in before the regular season.

Regular season games start on September 17th.

The last fall game will be October 29th

Your imagination is the limit!

Thank you

To all the community support who help us strive to provide a successful soccer program.

- ◆ Hill Street Church of Christ, Albany
- ◆ Phoenix Inn, Albany
- ◆ Lebanon Senior Center
- ◆ Albany Golf and Events Center
- ◆ Integratung seed
- ◆ Lewis seed
- ◆ Kyle Sullens for hauling in the seed



Bring, Borrow, or trade cleats and shin guards at the August team orientation! Gear in good shape will be available to all.

Important—Rule changes!

IFAB Revises Laws of the Game

The International Football Advisory Board (IFAB) is the worldwide governing body for soccer's Laws of the Game. They have introduced some significant changes to the Laws for 2016/2017. These changes affect all FIFA members including UEFA, CONCACAF, USSF, MLS, and AYSO. The most significant changes include:

- * The kickoff no longer has to move forward. Players may now kick the ball directly back to their own teammates.
- * If an offside infraction occurs, the spot of the foul is now where the player actually touched the ball or otherwise got involved. This means that the resulting free kick will be taken from a more logical spot.
- * Free kicks may now be awarded for offenses committed by substitutes or team officials.
- * Any foul involving contact is now considered to be a direct free kick foul.
- * Cautionable offenses (yellow cards) are more clearly defined. For example, players will now earn a yellow card for feigning injury, preventing a rapid free kick, or celebrating a goal by pulling the shirt over the head. In AYSO, yellow and red cards are only used in U12 and higher.

There are many more changes, but these are the big ones. Watch our website for a schedule of mandatory update trainings for all returning referees. These trainings will also be open to coaches and anyone else who wants to learn more about the new Laws of the Game.

New Preschool— Sweet Home & Lebanon!!

New Preschool! This fall we are starting a brand new preschool called Pre-K Club. Registrations are now being accepted at the Boys & Girls Club. Pre-K Club is FREE for qualifying families. Stop by the Club to see if you qualify: 305 S. 5th Street, Lebanon - or - 890 18th Avenue, Sweet Home. Only 20 spots available, so don't delay.

Quality after school program. The Boys & Girls Clubs of the Greater Santiam are open after school for 1st-8th graders in Sweet Home and Lebanon. Bus transportation, full meal, homework help and a lot of FUN! Join the club, its fun for all. www.bcggreaterantiam.org



Just a quick reminder from your AYSO Board Who is always looking for new talent to join in!

In keeping in good graces with the surrounding community and each other, here are a few guidelines and rules to be followed. Doing so keeps our events fun, safe, and clean. Thank you in advanced for your support and efforts this soccer season.

- 👉 Kids are number 1!
- 👉 Fun, not winning is everything
- 👉 Fans only cheer, and only coaches coach
- 👉 Respect the coaches, referees, and all volunteers
- 👉 Refrain from swearing or abusive behavior
- 👉 Pick up your trash—or some that someone may have dropped
- 👉 Set great examples for sportsmanship
- 👉 No Pets- leave them at home not in the car
- 👉 No parking on Blue Ox Road in Albany
- 👉 No weapons
- 👉 No Alcohol, tobacco or other controlled drugs
- 👉 Find a location away from the AYSO game areas to smoke.