



VIP PROGRAM OVERVIEW

TRUMBULL AYSO REGION 186

Very Important Player (VIP) Soccer Program

Building teams for players with special needs

What is the VIP Program?

VIP Program is specially designed to support players with special needs. The AYSO Very Important Players (VIP) Program provides a quality soccer experience for children and adults whose physical or mental disabilities make it difficult to successfully participate in the core program.

What is successful participation?

Successful participation is defined as the player's enjoyment during the session and the safety of all team members while participating on the field.

What is a VIP Buddy?

VIP Buddies are trained by AYSO. They assist the players at each session learn soccer while meeting new friends, having fun and increasing skills and self-esteem. A buddy encourages and inspires a player to develop soccer skills and invaluable social skills.

What are Trumbull Region 186 Program Details?

- Residence in Trumbull is not required.
- Any child with special needs wishing to learn about soccer is welcome to play.
- When our children gather to play sports they are practicing socialization, learning from each other, and making friendships that will last into their adulthood.
- Players and their families, along with our volunteers, enjoy the complete AYSO experience – team uniforms, scoring goals, cheering from the sidelines, and beyond!

VIP Players-- Important Info:

- All AYSO VIP Soccer Teams are formed by ability.
- All games are played at Kaechele Fields, next to Madison Middle School, in Trumbull.
- Registration Fee is \$30 per player for the Spring Season.
- Registration Fee for New Players includes: Uniform (jersey, shorts & socks), and Insurance.
- A fee of \$10 will be charged for lost or outgrown uniforms.

VIP Volunteer Buddies & Adults--Important Info:

- Must be 12 years of age & older to volunteer.
- Volunteers are from surrounding communities.
- No experience required.
- Volunteer hours can be earned, if desired.
- AYSO requires all volunteers to complete training:
 - Those 12-17 complete: 1 AYSO & 1 VIP Buddy training
 - Those 18 & older complete: Background check, 3 online training, 1 VIP Buddy training or other training for required Adult Volunteer role.

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