

HCYSA 2020 FALL Soccer Notes **Soccerfest** Sept 12
WELCOME TO HCYSA SOCCER: PLAY, LEARN SOCCER, HAVE FUN !!!

THANK YOU NEW COACHES. WELCOME NEW VOLUNTEERS.

Please take time to read these weekly notes. They will keep you updated on important news.

Rain closures - go to www.hillcountrysoccer.org and check the field status on the Home tab.

Soccerfest games

- 10U, Div 1 - half games
- 5U/6U, 8U - practice begins at game time for 20 min, games start 10 min after practice
- All games are played even sided, no scores kept, no standings
- Breaks for water are ok. It's hot.

Shin guards - mandatory for all practices and games.

Free popsicle or drink after every game.

Teams and coaches on one side of the field; parents, fans, spectators on the other side.
No advising or guidance allowed from goal area, ends or sides of field. Let the coach be the coach.

Call Registrar with drops. We still have kids on waiting lists.

Concession stand

- most teams have a scheduled time to work
- check with your coach or look at the schedule on the Home page and on your team calendar
- thank you Kristie Cunningham, kitchen coordinator

Consider helping as a **referee**. See any board member. Free training and uniform. Send a team representative if you need a whistle.

Coach tips for success. Clinic's available - ask us.

Shoe library - trade small shoes for new or buy shoes for a \$5 donation.

Team pictures - Saturday, October 17; team, individual, and family pictures available.

Questions - check out our informative website at www.hillcountrysoccer.org.

Pick up litter after practices and games.

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HCYSA 2020 FALL Soccer Notes **Week 1** Sept 26
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Are the fields closed? Check the **field status** on the Home page.

5U/6U and 8U games have a 20-minute practice that begins at the posted game time.

Congratulations to these **newly certified coaches** - Michelle Sweet, Tony Gonzales, Zachary Earl, Robyn Pipkin, Billy Crain, Martin, Lockerd and Kevin McCormick. Great job!

Shin guards - mandatory for all practices and games. No earrings, jewelry, or dangerous apparel allowed. Black shorts encouraged.

Players - don't forget your **free** post-game popsicle or drink.

All games are played even sided. Teams and coaches on one side of the field, spectators on the other side. No advising or guidance allowed from goal area, ends or sides of the field.

Practice time - let Shirley know when your team practices.

Are all the players showing up? Let the registrar know if a player drops.

Concession stand - Thank you to all the teams that helped during Soccerfest. Keep up the great work each week.

Do you have an itching to be a **referee** or linesperson? See a board member. Free training and free uniform.

Collection for Christian Alliance Ministry - October 3, 10 - **let's fill the box on the porch.**

Work on **throw-ins**. Let us know if you need help. Now is the time to get it right.

Shoe library available - trade small shoes for new or a \$5 donation buys your shoes

Team pictures - October 17. Receive packets from your coach on October 10.

Questions about soccer or HCYSA? Check out our webpage: www.hillcountrysoccer.org

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HCYSA 2020 FALL Soccer Notes Week 2 Oct 3
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THANK YOU COACHES and VOLUNTEERS

Are the **fields** closed? Check the Field Status in the Quick Links section on the home page.

Volunteers - make sure you are registered for this new membership year.

Concession stand - keep up the great work. Know when your team is assigned.

Game etiquette - Fans on one side, players on the opposite side

Parents - cheer Coaches - coach Referees - ref the game & keep us safe

No jewelry or earrings, splints, or dangerous apparel.

Game reminders:

8U - use throw-ins and corner kicks to put the ball back into play, no penalty kicks

Substitutions - 6U, 8U, and 10U - sub at the quarter with no team break

Balanced play - each player plays $\frac{3}{4}$ of the game before someone plays whole game

Half-time - 10 minutes

All games are played even sided

Shin guards mandatory for all practices & games

Coaches:

Call registrar with drops

Pick up and return game cards each week

Pick up and return flags

Team pictures - October 17; individual, team and family pictures; some games may run late

CAM - drop off your **donations** to the porch - *October 3 and 10*

Consider helping as a **referee** or assistant referee. We need you. Free whistle. We train and guide you. Each team should supply a ref person to call "ins and outs"; it's not hard.

City ordinance - **No dogs allowed**, no smoking, no alcohol

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HCYSA 2020 FALL Soccer Notes **Week 3** Oct 10
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Shoe library available - trade for another pair, buy for \$5, or donate.

Team pictures - October 17 - receive packet from coach, pictures are before games so it's OK if some games run a little late.

Donation to Christian Alliance Ministry - bring your donation by the porch. Special prize for teams with 100% participation.

Game etiquette

- spectators sit opposite the players, not in the end zone. Socially distance if possible, otherwise wear a mask.
- coaches in 10U and Div 1 - please observe and stay within coaching box
- parents - cheer coaches - coach referees - ref the game and keep us safe
- each player plays 3/4 before one plays whole game
- half time is 10 minutes
- all games are played even sided
- don't run up the score, make a plan, teach a fun game. Everyone scores.

Coach tip - don't forget your defense (10U and older). Scoring goals is good but keeping rival score from happening is brilliant.

Goal keeper workshop - Monday, October 12, 5:45, Field 10A. Everyone welcome--players and coaches--come on out and have some fun. Get the edge. Learn the art of goal keeping. Players want to try a new position.

Shin guards mandatory for all practices and games.

Game cards - coaches are doing a great job of picking up and returning cards. Thank you.

9:00 games take flags out; 10:30 games bring in the flags. Thanks.

Games always run smoother, are safer, and more fun with a referee. Let us know if you're interested in helping. Free clinics available. It's fun and comes with a free whistle, free breakfast, and a free uniform.

No dogs, smoking, no alcohol.

HCYSA is an all-volunteer organization. It's for our children's soccer program. We are looking for your help, participation, and ideas.

HCYSA 2020 FALL Soccer Notes **Week 4** Oct 17
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Pictures today. Every player should be in the team picture—don't have to purchase individual pictures to be in the team picture.

Chevrolet fundraiser - take a test drive at the dealership (Atkission) and earn *free money* for HCYSA.

Concession stand - check the schedule on the Home tab of the website to know when your team needs to work. *Please do not bring young children.* This is our fundraiser and it's much better than selling candy.

Make sure you are wearing shin guards at every practice and game. Come by the porch if you need a pair.

Earrings or other dangerous apparel (such as casts) not allowed.

AYSO PIE - positive, instructional, encouraging

Coach tips

- ☉ a keeper change is a substitution so tell the referee
- ☉ 8U - no defenders should be planted in the goal- let them play
- ☉ 10 - a strong defense is the key to winning. If they cannot score, they cannot win.
- ☉ runaway scores do not teach kids - prove your skills - help everyone score goals.


Goal keeper clinic - Monday, Field 10A. It's a blast with Coach Jon. Come learn the tricks and trade of defending the goal. You may like it.

Interested in trying out for the **select team**? It's a great opportunity for tournament play. See Jon Shantz for information.

Don't forget

- ☉ trash is everyone's problem
- ☉ no dogs or smoking
- ☉ do not move the player benches

Volunteers - make sure you submitted your application. The same application can be used for the spring season. Have you completed the safe haven course? Go to the AYSOU tab.

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We are looking for new board members. Let us know if you're interested. We need your help.

HCYSA 2020 FALL Soccer Notes Week 5 Oct 24
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Safety First - with the rise in COVID rates it's important for all of us to stay safe.

- wash hands before and after practices and games
- wear masks if you can't socially distance
- hand sanitizer and masks are available on the porch
- safety is everyone's responsibility



Game cards - don't forget to return game cards and mark the participation quarters.

Play good soccer - no pushing, shoving, grabbing shirts. Start good playing habits early, build your skills. Remember, it's "foot" ⚽ ball ya'll.

Runaway scores do not teach kids - prove your skills by helping everyone score some goals or go to practice mode

Player evaluations - due by end of season. Coaches should be evaluating their players using the criteria on the form. These are in the coach packet and are available on the website.

Registration incompletes - some still owe money or need to verify birth dates. Please take care of this asap.

Pictures - may be ready on October 24. Coaches will pick them up with their game cards.

Special **Halloween gifts** for players. Coaches will pick these up on October 31.

Tejano **select team** tryouts - post season technical training and tournaments. For more info, contact Jon Shantz at <https://hcysatejanotryouts.eventbrite.com>.

Spring soccer sign-up - details will be out soon.

THANK YOU for your contributions to CAM to help our community. It is greatly appreciated!

Awards ceremony - November 14 - 6U and 8U after 9:00 and 10:30 games; every player gets a medal. 10U and Div 1 will get awards after the last game.

Thank your coach and ref today. We are all volunteers. Join the AYSO volunteer team. Everyone welcome. We need someone to coordinate publicity. Let us know if you're interested.