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All-Star and Select Program

Overview of All-Stars and Select

- I. The All-Star program is an opportunity for our players in ages 10U and above to experience a more competitive level of play. All-Star teams are comprised of a coach, approved by the Board, and players of that age division chosen by that coach, and approved by the Board. All-Star Teams pay for a new uniform, as well as tournament fees for the Area All-Star Tournament in January, typically held in Lancaster, CA, the weekend following Area Playoffs.
- II. The Select program is an opportunity for players in ages 10U and above to continue in a more competitive level of play, by playing in AYSO tournaments. These tournaments allow the players the opportunity to experience playing against teams of differing skill levels and backgrounds, and to develop their own skills in return.
- III. 16U and 19U may hold an All-Stars or Select team, provided there is enough player interest, and qualified coaches. Their season will be modified, due to C.I.F. requirements, and limited tournament availability
- IV. Scholarship funds are not available for All-Stars or Select Season. All-Star Season fees consist of purchase of an All-Stars Uniform, and payment of the Tournament Fees. The fee will vary from one year to the next, depending on the fees collected by Area 10D.
- V. Select Season Fees will consist of payment of Tournament Fees on a consistent basis. Fees will vary depending on the age group, the number of players, and the tournaments selected. In addition, Select Teams may purchase an alternate jersey, in order to have "home" and "away" colors.

All-Star Coach Eligibility and Selection

- Coaches interested in coaching an All-Star Team must complete an All-Star Coach Application (See Attached), and submit the application to the Region Board by October 1st of the given year.
- II. Coaches may apply for a division other than that which they coached in fall. Teams will be given first to applicants who coached in a given division during fall season. If no applications from a coach in that division are received, other applications will be reviewed.
- III. Coaches interested in coaching an All-Star Team must meet the following training requirements
 - 1. AYSO Safe Haven renewed within the last two years
 - 2. CDC Concussion Awareness Training renewed within the last two years
 - 3. Age Specific Training As Follows:

DIVISION	CERTIFICATION
10U	12U COACH
12U	12U COACH
14U	INTERMEDIATE COACH
16U	ADVANCED COACH
19U	ADVANCED COACH

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- IV. In addition, coaches must have demonstrated a firm knowledge of, and commitment to, the AYSO 6 Core Philosophies
- V. After the application deadline, the Board will meet to discuss the applications received, and will vote on which coach is most qualified, with no less than the following being considered:
 - 1. Highest Coaching Certification obtained
 - 2. Years of experience as a coach (whether with AYSO or another program)
 - 3. Years of experience with AYSO (whether with Region 878 or another region)
 - 4. Division Coached in Fall Season
 - 5. Willingness to continue to Section All-Stars, should their team advance
 - 6. Willingness to continue into Select Season
 - 7. Demonstration of AYSO Philosophies and Values on the field
- VI. In the event that a Board Member applies to coach a team, and is not the only applicant for that division, then that Board Member will abstain from the vote, and will be given no special consideration in comparison to the other Board Members.
- VII. A coach not being able to commit to continue into the Select Season will not disqualify this coach from coaching an All-Star Team. This may result in a Board Assigned Assistant Coach, in order to allow the team the opportunity to move forward.
- VIII. Selected coaches will be notified by October 15th of the year in which they apply to coach, and All-Star Coach List will be posted for Regional Reference.

All-Star Player Eligibility and Selection

- I. In order to be eligible to participate in the All-Star Team, players must have been registered for the Fall Season, and must have played in at least half of the regular season games.
- II. Players interested in playing for the All-Star Team must register for the All-Star Tryout Activity on Blue Sombrero, prior to October 15th of the year in which they are interested in playing.
- III. Players must be in age division 10U or higher in order to be eligible for All-Stars
- IV. Players may play in a higher age division than they played in Fall, provided that they are in the older birth year for their age division, and the play is approved by the Region Board.
- V. All-Star Tryouts will take place at the end of October, or beginning of November. Attendance at Tryouts is not mandatory, but preference will be given to those players who do attend tryouts. Coaches will conduct tryouts, and evaluate their potential players.

All-Star and Select Rosters

- I. Rosters must be submitted to the Board for approval, prior to the end of season Regional Tournament.
- II. All-Star teams are typically same-gendered. In the event that not enough players of one gender are eligible and interested, the Regional Board may vote to approve a coed team in a particular age group.

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- III. All-Star teams must be composed of a full roster, as set by Section 10, and specifically Area 10D.
- IV. The Regional Board will evaluate the rosters, in order to determine that preference has not been given to players based on their coach from the fall season.
 - Rosters will be evaluated and approved or denied based on the following topics:
 - 1. Player Eligibility
 - 2. Players signed up for All-Star Tryout Program
 - 3. Were all players on the roster present at tryouts. If players were not at tryouts, were those who attended given priority?
 - 4. Player evaluations conducted during season
- V. In the event that a player is rostered who is not approved due to any of the above criteria, the coach will be provided 24 hours to submit an alternate player choice to the Board. If this choice still does not meet approval criteria, the Board will select a player who meets criteria, and provide them the opportunity to play.
- VI. In the event that not enough players register for the tryout program, coaches will be allowed to ask potential players at the fields if they are interested, and get them to sign up.
- VII. Rosters will be released on the designated day. Refer to the region calendar for details.
- VIII. After the second tryout, a determination will be made as to whether or not to roster a team in a particular division. This decision is made based on the number of qualified players that have submitted their application.
- IX. If there are enough players and coaches that more than one All-Star team would be able to be formed, the Board will discuss the possibility at that point. In the unlikely event that the Board approves a second All-Star team, then both coaches would "draft" eligible players, in order to promote a more balanced set of teams.

Select Team Eligibility

- I. In order to be eligible to continue into the Select Season, the team must have played in the All-Star Tournament.
- II. Players may only be replaced if they do not wish to continue into the Select Season, or due to injury.
- III. No more than three members of the original All-Stars Roster may be replaced with non All-Stars players for the primary Select Team Roster.
- IV. Coaches will be allowed to bring up to two guest players to a tournament, provided these players meet all eligibility requirements, and the changes are approved by the Regional Commissioner or the Select Season Coordinator.
- V. The Regional Board will evaluate the performance of the team in the tournament, and discuss with the parents on the team the commitment required of a Select Team.
- VI. Region 878 teams will strive to attend the same tournaments, in order to allow for support of each other, and the children.
- VII. In the event that a Region 878 team is not accepted to a tournament, due to the age division being full, closed, or unavailable, an alternate tournament will be allowed, provided all paperwork was turned in on time.
- VIII. Players may be recruited from neighboring regions after the conclusion of All-Star Play, provided that region does not have a Select team, or that player is not on their Select team, and both Regional Commissioners approve.

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End of Select Season

- I. A Select Team may choose to end their season at any time, and shall inform the Regional Board of this decision.
- II. If the approved Coach is no longer able to commit, and an eligible coach is unable to be found, the Select Season will end.
- III. If the number of players from the primary Select roster who are interested in continuing falls below the number of players on the field for the age group, the Select Season will end.