

AYSO KIDS ZONE AWARENESS DAYS INSTRUCTIONS

Kids Zone Awareness Days

- April 16 (first game)
- May 14 (sixth game)
- June 2 (first playoffs night)
- June 3 (second playoffs night)

On these Kids Zone Awareness Days, coaches, referees, players and spectators will gather for a pre-game Kids Zone Huddle.

Pre-game Kids Zone Huddle

Procedure for pre-game Kids Zone Huddle on Kids Zone Awareness Days:

1. 5 minutes before kick-off time.
2. Line-up teams in the middle circle of field, facing each other. (As normal.)
3. Check player equipment by the referee, or by coaches if no referee is present. (As normal.)
4. Coaches, players and referees collectively walk to parents' side of field.
5. Coaches ask all parents/spectators to gather at the halfway line.
6. Head coach of the home team presents the Kids Zone program to the gathered parents/spectators of both teams.
7. Coach shows front of flyer to parents to remind them about the Kids Zone signs that are posted on the bulletin boards at both entrances of the Tuma Soccer Complex, and then reads what it says on the sign.
8. Coach uses the back of the flyer to explain the role of parents/spectators in the Kids Zone.
9. Coach should emphasize that Kids Zone starts with yourself, by giving the right example. Parents whose behavior is not in line with the AYSO Kids Zone, should be reminded by the other parents with a simple: *"Can I remind you that this is a Kids Zone. Please keep it positive. Thank you!"*

Notes

- Head coach of the home team is responsible for finding a substitute if he/she is not able to do the Kids Zone presentation.
- Misplaced or lost your Kids Zone flyers? Borrow a Kids Zone flyer from another coach.
- Give your second Kids Zone flyer to parents who do not display the expected sideline behavior, to remind them about the AYSO Kids Zone.
- Coaches are responsible for their parents' sideline behavior. However, if you are dealing with an uncontrollable parent or group of parents, then contact your division coordinator for help.

THANK YOU for keeping AYSO in the Kids Zone!

