

Subject: Croton AYSO Soccer - Fall Season Update & Sept 4th Payment Registration Deadline

Dear Croton AYSO Soccer families,

We hope all is well with all of you and your loved ones, and that you are keeping safe and healthy. This note is another long one, as there is a lot of information to share. Here we go:

Thank you for the great response to our no-fee registration - as we had more than 250 kids sign-up.

Yes, we will have a Fall season, as described below:

- The Fall season will run from **Sept 26 - Nov 15, 2020**.
- The first two weekends of the season there will be team practices on Saturdays and no games on Sundays.
- We will have professional trainers/coaches running the majority of practices for all Core teams in the Fall alongside the parent coaches. This investment will help create a safe, structured training session.
- The tentative date for *intra-Croton* matches to start is Oct 3 (U7 & above only).
- *Inter-regional* games vs. other towns have not yet been finalized - the tentative start date is Oct 18 (U10 & above only).
- We will provide regular updates as the season progresses.
- We will abide by AYSO National COVID-19 safety regulations, as follows:
 - [AYSO Returning To Play Guidelines](#)
 - [AYSO COVID-19 Waiver](#)
- Specific local guidelines include:
 - Focus on low/no contact drills;
 - **All children, coaches, refs and parents are required to wear masks at all times;**
 - Limit to one parent drop off & one parent stay (for U8 & under);
 - No team snacks;
 - No car pooling for pickups/drop offs.
- We will run in tandem with the schools. If the schools go full remote, Croton AYSO will be suspended for that period.
- **Practice times/fields will be released mid-September.**

Payment registration is now open - Due Sept. 8th

- Go to: <https://www.ayso455.org/region455>
- When you log into your account you will see payment is now due. **Please be sure to complete payment by Sept 4th.** This will enable us to make final arrangements & purchase uniforms.
- Send any questions or concerns to: reg@crotonsoccer.org

Refunds

- If the Fall season is suspended or ends significantly earlier than anticipated, we will evaluate if partial refunds are possible at the end of the Spring '21 season.
- As a 100% non-profit organization run entirely by Croton parent volunteers, we will continue to be as open & transparent as possible with regards to finances.
- Thank you to everyone who kindly donated the Spring '20 refunds. This will be used to help future player scholarships/registration fees.

Parent-coaching volunteers are essential:

- AYSO is a 100% volunteer organization.
- We encourage every parent to volunteer as either a coach, assistant coach or team manager.
- Please also consider joining the Croton AYSO Board if you'd like to get involved with that as well.

We are thrilled to offer your children the opportunity to play soccer this Fall and truly appreciate your support as we plan for the 2020/21 season as best as we can.

All the best,

Croton AYSO Soccer