



PLEASANT HILL-MARTINEZ SOCCER ASSOCIATION

A non profit organization dedicated to youth soccer, serving the cities of Pleasant Hill, Martinez, and surrounding communities for over 25 years.

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PHMSA's U5 Player Program Orientation Meeting Follow-Up

Thanks to all of you who attended the orientation meeting on Saturday August 20, 2011. As we explained, the U-5 Program will be run Jamboree style, meaning players are assigned to one of four groups, not individual teams. When they arrive at their session each week, they are broken down into smaller groups for soccer skills and games. The idea is to help them learn to enjoy the game in a safe and fun environment, while building and developing their soccer skills.

The U-5 Season will run over the course of 8 weeks. The pertinent details are as follows:

Location: Valley View Middle School

First Session: September 10, 2011

Final Session: October 29, 2011

<i>GROUP</i>	<i>TIME</i>	<i>PLAYER LAST NAME</i>
One	9:30 – 10:30 AM	A through Flores
Two	10:45 – 11: 45 AM	Flynn through Madeiros
Three	12:15 – 1:15 PM	Marasigan through Rollins
Four	1:30 – 2:30 PM	Rubino through Z

Coaching Assistance:

As we explained during orientation, AYSO is an all volunteer organization. This means that we need parent/grandparent/sibling/neighbor/friend help at this age group. Therefore, we are looking for adult volunteers to act as “assistant coaches” for each session. Although we have enlisted the services of professional soccer coaches from AYSO Soccer Camps/UK Soccer Camps to run the sessions, these coaches will require the assistance of 5-7 volunteers. Therefore, if you are interested in becoming a parent volunteer assistant coach, please let us know by sending an email with your name, your child’s name, and your Group to rc@phmsa.org.

Unfortunately, after the orientation session, we are woefully short of assistant coaches, so please step up and help. We will provide you all the training that you will need.



Changing Groups:

Several parents have requested to change their group time. As explained during the orientation session, we can probably accommodate those requests. HOWEVER, a parent volunteer from the group will need to step forward and act as the liaison to the PHMSA Board and be the party responsible for handling those changes. No one has indicated that they have interest in taking that position yet. So until we have someone agree to coordinate these changes, we cannot make them. So again, if you are interested in taking the lead on this matter, please send an email to rc@phmsa.org.

Sunday Group:

We had some parents indicate that they were interested in having their child attend U5 Sessions on Sunday instead of Saturday. Right now we do not have a Sunday session scheduled. But if you are interested in that option instead, please stay tuned as we may be looking to add that session and will poll the parents shortly to determine if it is a viable option.

Missed Orientation:

If you missed orientation for any reason, we will be having another orientation on Sunday evening August 28, 2011 at 6:00 PM. It will be held at the PHMSA Soccer Locker which is located at 360 Civic Drive in Pleasant Hill. Look for the storage facility which is next to the YMCA on Civic Drive. The entrance to the Soccer Locker is in the office park on the west side of the YMCA.

Please plan to attend or please send someone in your place because this is the last opportunity you will have to pick up your child's uniform before the start of the first session.

