

Letter from your Area Referee Administrator

Just a quick letter to all parents, spectators and players participating in Area B AYSO.

The most difficult position in AYSO, for most regions to fill is that of a qualified referee. The reason it is so hard to fill, is the amount of complaints directed at the ref. Lets face it, not many people are going to give away their time to get yelled at.

The reason most of the complaints happen, is simple lack of knowledge of the game of soccer. It is our job as volunteers to try and teach not only the kids but also the parents and grand parents etc ..

As we improve the understanding of the game to all persons involved, the game becomes that much more fun for all. People also begin to understand why a referee makes a call a certain way, or perhaps why a certain call was not made at all.

For my money the best seat in the house is near center field of a good U-14 soccer match. Lets all do our best to make every ref feel the same way. The better we treat our refs, the more comfortable they become and the more willing they are to work hard at advancing there own abilities. As they advance as AYSO referees we all win. We get a better called match and a better played match, and that is what it is all about.

Kindest Regards,

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