

AUSTINTOWN JUNIOR SOCCER LEAGUE 2025 NEWSLETTER

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REGISTRATION

IN PERSON REGISTRATION:

AUSTINTOWN TOWNSHIP HALL WHERE:

82 Ohltown Rd., Austintown, OH 44515

WHEN: SATURDAY----- February 1st 2025 - 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

ONLINE REGISTRATION FOR PLAYERS AND COACHES: www.ajsl.org

January 1st, 2025 - February 9th, 2025

LATE REGISTRATION:

February 10th, 2025 through March 5th, 2025 \$15 late fee applies

FEES: \$95 per player, \$180 for two players, \$240 for a family of three or more players.

Administration fees: \$3.00 registration per family and \$3.25 processing per player.

All teams will be selected by blind draw with no exceptions to this rule. All players must play within the age group of their birth date with the exception of a sibling playing up one year in age with a parent coaching.

Registration is open to all boys and girls regardless of residence or experience in playing soccer. (Copies of birth certificates required for new players).

This is a **RECREATIONAL** league and every child will play at least half of every game.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

THE AJSL IS 100% VOLUNTEER OPERATED.

We rely on the families and friends of our players to provide all the services needed by our league. The quality of our program is directly dependent upon YOU! Lack of volunteer participation has a negative impact on the service we offer.

Volunteer as much or as little as your schedule permits - even one hour makes a difference!

We need your help in these critical areas:

- Concession Stand help with stocking, setup, cleaning and window sales
 Field Maintenance cut grass, trim fields or assist with minor facilities improvements or repairs
- Field Marshall help with parking, nightly field supervision, trash collection
- Finance help with the Falcon Cup, sponsorships and fundraising

PLEASE CONSIDER VOLUNTEERING YOUR TIME FOR THIS MOST WORTHY CAUSE.

*Field Day – Anyone interested in helping to get the fields ready for the season is welcome to participate. Contact Pat Schafer at pat.s@ajsl.org with any questions.

*REFEREES ARE ALSO NEEDED! CONTACT Bill Spencer at bill.s@ajsl.org for more information.

SPONSORS NEEDED

Team Sponsors are vital to the success of our league. Every dollar of every sponsorship goes directly to offsetting the league's operating expenses. For more information, please contact: board@ajsl.org

Sponsor forms are due by March 1st, 2025 and can be downloaded from our website www.ajsl.org

This event or activity is neither sponsored by nor endorsed by the Austintown Local Schools, nor is the Austintown Local Schools affiliated with the organization providing this information.

KEY AJSL 2025 DATES

Online Registration: January 1st - February 9th, 2025. Late Registration: February 10th - March 6th with a \$15 late fee.

In Person Registration: Saturday, February 1st, 2025 - 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Blind Draw – March 12th Practice Season Begins – April 7th Picture Days – April 28th, 29th, 30th

Coaches Meeting – March 26th Regular Season Begins – May 5th Rain Days – May 1st & 2nd
Coaches Game – TBD Falcon Cup – June 21st & 22nd Field Day – March 29th & April 5th

Every effort will be made to follow this timeline; however, AJSL reserves the right to postpone the start of the season or make other scheduling changes as needed due to Covid Safety/Health concerns.

2025 FALCON CUP

The 2025 FALCON CUP will be held on **Saturday, June 21st & Sunday, June 22nd**. Further information and team pairings will be announced at the coaches meeting on March 26th, 2025. We will continue to use our standard seeding point system.

NOTICES

EQUIPMENT

- PLAYERS are responsible for providing their own black athletic shorts, soccer cleats (*no front cleats*), shin guards, soccer ball and water bottle.
- AJSL will provide a uniform consisting of a team jersey and matching socks.
- Players must be dressed in their COMPLETE UNIFORM for game play.

CONCESSION STAFFING

All teams will be required to provide concession stand staffing of 5 or more adults (18 years of age or older) for one designated night and time. Any team that does not fulfill the requirement will forfeit their next scheduled game and be penalized points towards Falcon Cup seeding.

COACHES MEETING

The annual coaches meeting will be held Wednesday, March 26th, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

This is a **MANDATORY MEETING FOR ALL COACHES**. Schedules, team picture appointments, rule changes, uniforms and AJSL coaching information will be topics covered that evening. Mark your calendar NOW! AJSL is continually in need of coaches. We ask that all interested parents please consider becoming a coach or assistant. We can assure you it is a very rewarding experience.

2025 AJSL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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BOARD MEETINGS

Please feel free to call upon our board at any time with any question, concern or suggestion you may have. Our board meetings are open to the public. Your input is very important to us. Any adults with an interest in our league are welcome to join us. We meet on the second **Tuesday of the month at 7:00P.M.**

However, during our soccer playing season, the frequency of meetings may increase and the location may change. Check our Facebook page for up to date information or contact our board Secretary, Amanda Potkonicky (amanda.p@ajsl.org), (330) 718-7003 for exact times and locations.