### AYSO Philosophies:

- Everyone Plays
- Balanced Teams
- Open Registration
- Positive Coaching
- Good Sportsmanship
- Player Development

AYSO emphasizes DEVELOPMENT over WINNING!

### U-6 Match Guidelines

- 4 v 4 (6 players total per team)
- Game consists of four 5-minute quarters, with a 5-minute break at half-time
- Ball size 3

### U-6 Weekly Session

- Free Play
- Light stretching
- Introduce technical topic (dribbling, instep kick, throw-in)
- Small-sided match

# NO LAPS/LINES/LECTURES!!

## U-6 Simple Rules

- What is in and out of play
- Don't kick or trip others
- No handling the ball
- No heading the ball
- The only "penalty" is a direct free kick

#### REMEMBER:

Every player plays AT LEAST HALF of every game. No one plays 4 quarters until every player has played 3. When in doubt, DO NOT interrupt the play.

### U-6 Match

- Check all players for proper equipment (shoes, shin-guards, no jewelry or barrettes)
- Coin toss to see who kicks off first (the other team kicks off to start the second half)
- Kick-off at the beginning of each half and after a goal
- When the ball is kicked over the sideline (out of bounds) the OTHER team gets a throw-in kick-in or dribble-in

### LET THEM PLAY!!!

### U-6 Coach's Equipment List

- AYSO Player
  Registration Forms –
  which include the
  Emergency
  Authorization 2
- Basic first-aid kit (be familiar with contents)
- Extra water (Players should bring water to every activity) 2
- 12 cones (preferably multi-colored) 2
- Pinnies 2
- Extra soccer balls (players should bring a ball to every activity)
- Pump 🛭
- Extra pair of shin guards (players must wear shin guards at every activity)
- Pop-up goals 2
- Whistle 2
- Charged cell phone (in case of emergency) 2
- Training Plan 🛭