

Teams playing Wednesday Night,

Messaging hasn't been as frequent as I would like leading up to this start of our 2021-2022 Advanced Leagues season but please see the various details below that are very important. NOTE that a similar email will be sent to all teams in Advanced Leagues but I most importantly needed to make sure you are receiving this first.

IMPORTANT ITEMS:

1. **COVID PROTOCOLS:** ASA has released COVID PROTOCOLS to your club contacts and has posted them on our social media platforms and website. Please make sure you are familiar with the requirements. <https://www.azsoccerassociation.org/covid-protocols---august-24-2021/>
2. **REFEREE PAY CHANGE OF PROCESS:** ASA is releasing information to Clubs of the following change. **Effective immediately and including games played on Wednesday, August 25 for Advanced Leagues, Teams will not have to pay referees before each game (including the games on Wednesday. Details are in the link.** https://www.azsoccerassociation.org/assets/77/6/advanced_league_referee_payment_change.pdf More information will be communicated to your clubs to help understand the next steps.
3. **CLUB PASS POLICY:** The Club Pass Policy has not been updated and published on the website yet. **Due to COVID conditions and the above COVID PROTOCOLS, ASA will be implementing the same Club Pass Policy as last year (2020-2021) where 5 players are allowed to be club passed on another team within your club whether they are playing up or down, so that teams may have added flexibility with the possibility of players missing games (due to being quarantined from school or otherwise).** The spirit of the club pass policy is not to take the place of other players that are already on your roster or to add players "just to win the game". More information will follow on the publication of the policy and proper usage. **For Wednesday, August 25 games only, you may write in up to 5 players on your game card.** Additional instructions on how to add your club pass players in GotSport will be released before Opening Week/Weekend.
4. **UNLIMITED SUBSTITUTIONS:** **Until further notice, all age groups in Advanced Leagues will be unlimited substitutions at the discretion of the referee(s).** While Advanced League Standards have utilized restrictive substitutions, as the League Commissioner I am making this change effective immediately until further notice.
5. **PRINTING GAME CARDS:** Teams, **both of you should print your game cards for the match.** How do you do that in GotSport (called "match card") you ask? [CLICK HERE](#) for the Visual Aid. When you get to Step 4, Click "PHOTO". IF YOU CLICK PHOTO, a game card with the player pictures will be included. Each team would need to print their own game cards and present to the referees. IF You print the Picture Match Card, you do not need to show your Player passes to the referee(s). ASA will print the "standard" match cards for all matches as a backup. <https://gotsport.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/articles/360052832054-How-to-Print-a-Match-Card>
6. **PLAYER PASSES:** IF You followed the above step for printing the PHOTO Match Card, you do not need your player passes. **OTHERWISE ALL TEAMS NEED TO BRING THEIR PLAYER PASSES if you forgot to print or if you couldn't figure it out.**

7. REPORTING SCORES: ASA Staff will be doing their best to collect game cards. **If yours is not turned in, please email a scanned copy to advancedleagues@azyouthsoccer.org**
8. NO HYDRATION: At this time, ASA will not be providing hydration (water, Gatorade, or other beverage/liquid) for players, coaches, teams, or referees. It is strongly recommended that Team Officials bring sufficient hydration for members of your team.

ADDITIONAL REACH 11 FACILITY REMINDERS:

- NO SPIKING OF CANOPIES OR TENTS OR OTHER ITEMS ALLOWED. If you need sand bags, please ask one of the ASA staff members and we will gladly provide for you.
- NO PETS ALLOWED.
- NO ALCOHOL or DRUGS ALLOWED.
- NO BENCHES WILL BE PROVIDED or SHADE STRUCTUES. Please bring your own.

Now for some Awesome news for those playing on Wednesday....

1. Banner Sports Medicine and ASA Treat & Greet: Come stop by North of fields 2&3 for some free treatment, injury consultations, Theragun Massage, Manual Therapy, PNF Stretching, Kinesio Taping, etc. Meet the Physical Therapists and Physicians caring for ASA Athletes! ([CLICK HERE](#) for the flyer).
2. Athletic trainers will be located at the following locations for treatment: Between fields 11-14; Between fields 15-18; North of Fields 2-4; North of Fields 5-6, North of Fields 9-10.
3. ASA Staff will be located at any ASA Headquarter canopy to assist you.

Thank you all for getting through a ton of information and see you on the fields soon.