

# Instructor Lesson Plan for Teaching the AYSO Annual Coach Update



Identifier	Annual Coach Update
Original	Scott Snyder
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Class Length	60 minutes



**Facilities required**

Classroom

**Materials**

Course roster

PowerPoint Presentation

Copy of Instructor Lesson Plan

**Equipment**

Projector

Flip chart and markers

**Key Instructor Notes:**

- Time is your enemy!
- Teach from the PowerPoint created for this course.

**Learning Objectives:**

- Communicate recent developments in coaching and programs
- Engage and inspire coaches

## **Lesson Plan:**

### **Slide 2. Agenda**

### **Slide 3. Programs**

- The AYSO National Coaching Program is the *only* soccer coach education program in the U.S. that is accredited by the National Committee for Accreditation of Coaching Education (NCACE.) The AYSO program has been reviewed in detail and has passed the very high standards of this important accrediting body. We have been evaluated and accredited three times now.

(NCACE) promotes and facilitates coaching competence within all levels of amateur sport by overseeing and evaluating the quality of coaching education programs.

- Playground and Schoolyard Soccer Leader Certification online: Since last July, making it much easier for regions to run this important program.

Why is this so important? We get the families to experience AYSO as their entry point into youth soccer.

Does your region offer this? If not, why?

- 12U Revamp (see upcoming slide)
- Complete AYSO Player Development Pathway (see upcoming slide)
- Introduction to Instruction rewrite (see upcoming slide)
- Futsal Coaching Certification (now available at EXPOs)

### **Slide 4. 12U Coaching Course**

An effort to bridge the learning and expectation gap between 10U and Intermediate. We have added an hour pre-course with suitable content that has been covered in 10U and lends itself to online education.

This creates the opportunity to refigure the classroom and field session to allow more field time to involve the candidates.

Candidates will be given the chance to get into the field session and run a few minutes, i.e., a freeze moment. This is to familiarize themselves with field work and, also what they will experience in 14U if they continue into that division.

### **Slide 5. Instruction Certification**

Time depends on number of candidates (average is 10 per class). No more than 3 hours.

The online pre-course is to provide a foundation to the course and will cover:

- Value System
- Structure
- Instruction Intro
- Self-Assessment and Assignments

Purpose is to provide more practical and applicable hands-on experience and teaching tools to effectively instruct a course.

It will introduce AYSO Education Philosophy, adult teaching methods and some standard interactions to engage candidates and stimulate learning.

### **Slide 6. Player Development Pathway**

- Complete scaffolded and age-appropriate pathway
- Current (Advanced completed in 2018)
- Global contribution (AYSO, MLS, United Soccer Coaches, US Soccer, NCAA, Europe)
- Age-Appropriate
- Sequenced
- Provides an educationally sound program for families to realistically start in AYSO and progress through to Adult in the same value-based playing and training environment.

### **Slide 17. PDIs**

Update GK punts in 12U and review BOL.

Slowly becoming part of the youth landscape.

Success? The BOL has definitely encouraged playing out of the back. At minimum, an awareness.

### **Slide 8. AYSO and U.S. Soccer**

- Scott Snyder participated on Study Group to create the new Grassroots courses and the D License
- The new courses are geared more to parent coaches
- We have 6 AYSO Grassroots Instructors who can deliver these licenses
- Scott Snyder now trained as a US Soccer Grassroots Instructor Educator
- Mike Hoyer is an active member of the US Soccer Referee Study Group
- AYSO will have representation on all related US Soccer Task Forces...from refereeing to coaching
- Our relationship with our governing body is very healthy and respectful.

### **Slide 9. AYSO and United Soccer Coaches**

United Soccer Coaches endorses AYSO coaching curriculum. (Can be used similar to NCACE status.)

AYSO endorses United Soccer Coaches coaching curriculum (recognized as a practical and applicable curriculum for all coaches).

AYSO recommends the United Soccer Coaches **free** *Get aHEAD Safely in Soccer* online course for all AYSO United coaches and staff.

United Soccer Coaches will provide AYSO United and AYSO Camps a mutually agreeable group deal for United Soccer Coaches Member Club status (tiered program that includes education, convention and membership benefits). Member Clubs can also nominate Youth All-Americans.

Communication share: AYSO will periodically contribute to *Soccer Journal* magazine, United Soccer Coaches will periodically contribute to AYSO publications “Playsoccer” and “Hey Coach”. AYSO will offer periodic contributions to United Soccer Coaches podcast.

AYSO and United Soccer Coaches will collaborate on a co-branded Parent Education Module or similar.

United Soccer Coaches provides a complimentary six-month Introductory Membership to every AYSO coach that completes an AYSO Intermediate or Advance course.

### **Slide 10. AYSO and The Coaching Manual**

- Optional registration based online education tool.
- 5% from each registration goes back to the region the coach is from.
- Goal is to encourage coaches to continue their coaching journey...change the narrative: Our Certification is the start of their journey not the destination.

### **Slide 11. Coach License Equivalency 2019 with U.S Soccer**

- US Soccer does not grant reciprocity with any other agency.
- However, we will recognize their licenses in the following scale.
- Note: Grassroots licenses can be either 4-hours in-person or 2-hours online and grant the same license. Content is excellent but for 9v9 and 11v11 equivalency, the course must have been taken in-person due to the practical field segment.

### **Slide 12. Coach License Reciprocity with United Soccer Coaches.**

- Review the details on screen.
- United Soccer Coaches and AYSO will grant reciprocity to each others small-sided games content.
- However, to obtain United Soccer Coaches Diploma, the AYSO coach must activate a [free trial membership with United Soccer Coaches.](#)

### **Slide 13. AYSO United 2019**

- Commitment to quality not quantity!
- Really starting to impact marketplace...Club Soccer redefined!
- United as a program is vital in the future of AYSO!
- It's presence, success, profile and impact in the competitive marketplace will have families identify with AYSO when they look for an entry point
- United WILL impact registration for the CORE...if it is fulfills its potential (which will require everyone's support)

On the field:

- Joe Mullins recognized at the 2018 Alabama AGM as the ASA Administrator of the Year.
- Santa Clarita G01 won Cal South President's State Cup, competing in USYS Region IV President's Cup.
- Los Angeles G07 won the AYSO National Open Cup, CSL and Cal South Mayor's State Cup in first year as a team.
- Chiara Cartarasa from West Michigan signed to play professionally in her home town in Italy CF Marsala (article link:<https://www.cfmarsala.it/dagli-usa-a-marsala-ecco-a-voi-chiara-cartarasa/>)

### **Slide 14. Discussion**

Think, Pair, Share!

- Does level of training meet needs of today's volunteer coach?
- Do coaches want more diverse educational offers?
- What do we not offer but should?
- Thoughts on a new National Course?

Track responses.