



FYSA Annual Awards

Criteria for FYSA SCORE Coach of the Year

This award is presented each year to a coach of a boy's recreational team, boy's competitive team, girl's recreational team and girl's competitive team. The award serves to recognize those persons who have demonstrated exemplary efforts in the coaching of youth soccer players. The ability to promote good sportsmanship and fair play, have a favorable basic attitude toward the game and players, offer quality instruction, and have made a positive contribution to coaching in FYSA are the criteria that identify these recipients as superior.

Nomination must be typed. Application deadline is May 1, 2009.

Criteria for FYSA Boar's Head Volunteer of the Year Award

This award recognizes those who give an extraordinary amount of time and effort to promote soccer and to give FYSA players and coaches the opportunity to participate.

The volunteer:

- Has a minimum of five (5) years of service to youth soccer.
- Has demonstrated continued willingness to assist at the club, league, district, regional and/or state level.
- Makes a concerted effort to promote players and/or the game, is a positive role model for all volunteers to emulate, and is sound in moral and ethical character.

Nomination must be typed. Application deadline is May 1, 2009.

Criteria for FYSA Publix Parent of the Year

Florida Youth Soccer Association is proud of its relationship with Publix and their commitment to the families and players in Florida.

The role of a soccer parent means more than just ensuring players arrive on time. It also means being the supportive coach, enthusiastic fan and occasional medic. Publix and FYSA would like to recognize the tremendous job parents are doing to keep their kids involved in the great sport of soccer.



This award recognizes those who give an extraordinary amount of time and effort to promote soccer and to give FYSA's players and coaches the arena to participate. The criteria used is to identify those people who are always doing many tasks at the local level and are always eager to say "YES" to promote tournaments, host visiting teams, assist in FYSA programs, etc.

Criteria

- Candidate must be affiliated with an active FYSA Club in good standing.
- Candidate must have an outstanding record of participation.
- Candidate should have favorable relations with other members of the Florida soccer community.

It would be helpful to include the following information:

- Letters of recommendation from other parents, club administrators, community leaders and youth
- Personal statement of "soccer philosophy"
- A short resume of volunteer activities

Nomination must be typed. Application deadline is May 1, 2009.

Criteria for FYSA Pioneer Award

FYSA wishes to recognize and honor its volunteer members who distinguished themselves by starting youth soccer programs in areas of the state where there were none, establishing new ways and means, guiding and opening new paths for others to follow toward organized soccer and FYSA. The candidate must have served the organization for a period of at least five (5) years. (Starting or finding a new team, club or league in an area where youth soccer is already being played does not meet the criteria for eligibility for this award.)

No more than two candidates will be honored each year with this award.

Nomination must be typed. Application deadline is May 1, 2009.

Criteria for FYSA Hall of Fame Award

Each candidate must have at least fifteen (15) consecutive years of high achievement and excellence in contributing to FYSA as a volunteer in one or more of the following categories:

- Administrator—Candidate must have been an active member of FYSA BOD. Must have vacated that position at least three (3) years prior to selection. Must have demonstrated outstanding accomplishments and leadership making significant and lasting contributions not only locally but to the entire state. All service must have been voluntary.



- Coach—Candidate must have attained the fifteen (15) years as a FYSA coach serving youth programs throughout Florida showing outstanding leadership and teaching ability. All service must have been voluntary. This nomination must be endorsed by the FYSA Director of Coaching.
- Meritorious Service—This area is reserved for non-FYSA members who demonstrated support to FYSA programs for an extended period of time such as journalists who see that FYSA activities are mentioned in the media. Candidates may also be individuals who see that FYSA receives financial or other sponsorship for an extended period of time to ensure success in FYSA programs.

The contribution of individuals must have a lasting, positive effect on the purpose and goals of FYSA.

Nomination must be typed. Application deadline is May 1, 2009.

Criteria for FYSA Young Referee of the Year

This award has been established to honor young referees (one male and one female) who have contributed exceptionally, not only to our referee program, but to other activities of FYSA, and/or have been involved in school and civic activities during the past year.

AGE ELIGIBILITY: Any young referee who has not reached the age of 20.

MEMBERSHIP: Must currently be properly registered as a referee with US Soccer Federation (USSF) through Florida State Referees (FSR) and FYSA.

WHO CAN NOMINATE: Nominations can be made by FSR registered assignors. The FYSA Referee Liason/State Youth Referee Administrator and his/her committee will make the selection of both referees (male and female) and will forward the names of the winners to the FYSA State Office. Award recipient names will be forwarded to US Youth Soccer Region III for regional recognition.

Nomination must be typed. Application deadline is May 1, 2009.

Criteria for FYSA TOPSoccer Adult Volunteer of the Year

This award recognizes an individual who gives an extraordinary amount of time and effort to promote TOPSoccer in FYSA and to give FYSA TOPS players and coaches the opportunity to participate.



The volunteer:

- Has a minimum of five (5) years of service to TOPSoccer.
- Has demonstrated continued willingness to assist at the club, league, district, regional and/or state level.
- Makes a concerted effort to promote TOPS players and/or the game of soccer, is a positive role model for all volunteers to emulate, and is sound in moral and ethical character.

Nomination must be typed. Application deadline is May 1, 2009.

Criteria for FYSA TOPSoccer Buddy of the Year

This award recognizes an individual who gives an extraordinary amount of time and effort to promote TOPSoccer in FYSA and to give FYSA TOPS players and coaches the opportunity to participate.

The volunteer:

- Has a minimum of five (5) years of service to TOPSoccer.
- Has demonstrated continued willingness to assist at the club, league, district, regional and/or state level.
- Makes a concerted effort to promote TOPS players and/or the game of soccer, is a positive role model for all volunteers to emulate, and is sound in moral and ethical character.

Nomination must be typed. Application deadline is May 1, 2009.

Criteria for FYSA TOPSoccer Parent of the Year

This award recognizes the parent who gives extraordinary amount of time and effort to promote TOPSoccer. This is the parent who is always doing many tasks at any level and is always eager to say "YES." This is the person who puts the "V" in MVP.

The volunteer:

- Must be affiliated with, registered with, and active with an FYSA TOPSoccer program through an affiliated organization in good standing.
- Must have an outstanding record of participation.
- Makes a concerted effort to promote TOPS players and/or the game of soccer, is a positive role model for all volunteers to emulate, and is sound in moral and ethical character.



Nomination should include letters of recommendation from parents, club administrators, community leaders and youth along with a short history of associated volunteer activities.

Nomination must be typed. Application deadline is May 1, 2009.

Criteria for FYSA TOPSoccer Coach of the Year

- 1) **SPORTSMANSHIP:** Does he/she provide an example of sportsmanship? Teach to players and supporters? Are players encouraged to comprehend the link between sportsmanship and life? Does the coach practice what he/she preaches?
- 2) **PLAYER DEVELOPMENT:** Are players motivated to learn and play to the extent of their ability? Does the coach teach enthusiasm, creativity, independence, self-confidence, and risk taking? Are players encouraged to seek higher competition? Does the coach encourage players to train on their own or play in “pick-up” games?
- 3) **PERSONAL COACHING DEVELOPMENT:** Does he/she continue to learn and perfect skills and abilities? Has he/she taken courses in all aspects of the game (i.e., refereeing, coaching, or playing)? Does the coach participate in some manner whether playing or refereeing? Does he/she learn about the game in other ways?
- 4) **CITIZENSHIP:** Is the coach well known in his/her own soccer community and aware of the larger soccer world? Does the coach positively influence soccer beyond his own team? Is the coach open to suggestions or other ideas?

Nomination must be typed. Application deadline is May 1, 2009.

Criteria for FYSA TOPSoccer Club of the Year

FYSA would like to recognize the top TOPSoccer clubs in Florida. Please refer to the nomination form for specific questions regarding the club that need to be answered in consideration of this award.

Nomination must be typed. Application deadline is May 1, 2009.



Criteria for FYSA Recreational Club of the Year

FYSA would like to recognize the top recreation clubs in Florida. Two clubs in each Region may be recognized. Please refer to the nomination form for specific questions regarding the club that need to be answered in consideration of this award.

Nomination must be typed. Application deadline is May 1, 2009.