



AZ SOCCER CAMP, LLC
Registration 2020
Informational
Packet

Please keep this packet of information.

**This packet contains important information you and
your child will need for camp!**



Welcome!



A NOTE TO CAMPERS FROM SCOTT, THE CAMP DIRECTOR

Thanks again for registering for AZ Soccer Camp! We can proudly claim we have one of the highest return rates in the nation. If you are returning, we look forward to seeing you again! If you are new to camp, we are very excited to share with you the wonderful experiences so many have enjoyed for almost 40 years!

If this is your first year of camp, I realize you are excited, yet a little nervous too! That's okay and perfectly normal! We have many kids who arrive nervous and not knowing anyone...then, they don't want to leave! If you have any questions, please feel free to call me personally on my own cell phone 480-217-4095 and I will answer any questions you may have. You can also E-Mail me at Scott@azsoccercamp.com. Remember, on the website, click "FAQ"...that stands for "Frequently Asked Questions". You may find your answer there!

Please make certain your parents read through this packet and don't forget to have them fill out the online Camper Med's form on our website, if you are on medication. Thanks again, and I look forward to seeing you this summer! Please keep checking our website, www.azsoccercamp.com for updates!

Scott

Scott Segerson, M.Ed.
AZ Soccer Camp, Founder/Director

Welcome to AZ Soccer Camp



We are excited about our upcoming soccer camp this summer! We sure had a great time last year! With almost 40 years of camp experience, I know campers are in for a real treat...a lot of fun and soccer await you in the cool pines of Northern Arizona. We have compiled this information to enable you to prepare for your camp experience. Preparation is always the key to success! Remember, there is a form at the end of this packet that you need to send with your child to camp.

FUN FACTS - DID YOU KNOW?

We began camp in 1981 – almost 40 years ago! Scott Segerson founded and has directed the camp the entire time...

AZ Soccer Camp has one of highest return rates of any camp in the nation...around 90%!

While your child is at camp, you can check the website nightly to see photographs of the activities at camp – www.azsoccercamp.com.

All of the camp's staff once attended AZ Soccer Camp as a camper themselves! Therefore, they all are experienced and very familiar with the camp's objectives and sensitive to your child's needs

A background check is conducted on all Counselor/Coaches even though they have attended camp as a camper and spent two years as a Coach in Training. (CIT)

Parents, Coaches, or players can contact Camp Founder/ Director, Scott Segerson, with any questions @ 480-217-4095 or at Scott@azsoccercamp.com.

There are many answers under the “Frequently Asked Questions” (FAQs) on the web page, but here are some highlights!



GENERAL INFORMATION

HOW DO I GET TO CAMP?

Soccer Camp is held at Camp Grace Lakeside, Arizona, a scenic three and one half hour drive North of Phoenix on Highway 260. Take highway 260 to Payson and turn right at the McDonalds ...you are still on Highway 260. You will drive through Heber, Overgard, and some other small towns until you reach Showlow. Turn left once in Showlow (Deuce of Spades) and then after a few miles, turn right back onto 260 again (Also called White Mountain Blvd). After 7-8 minutes or so, you'll pass a Wal-Mart and Home Depot on your left. 1.2 miles after the Home Depot, you'll see a small sign on your right welcoming you to Pinetop-Lakeside. Continue on only a couple of hundred yards past this sign and you'll see the Camp Grace sign on your right. Across the road from the Camp Grace sign is a large entrance to a development called Mountain Gate. We welcome parents to look around the camp and meet the camp staff.

WHERE DO I SEND MAIL TO MY CHILD?

**CAMPER NAME
AZ SOCCER CAMP
C/O Camp Grace/
6385 W. White Mountain Blvd.
Lakeside, Az. 85929**

WHEN DO WE ARRIVE?

The check-in time for campers will be **11:00 AM to 1:45 PM** on Sunday. At check-in, parents will have the opportunity to meet the Camp Director, camp counselors/coaches, and fellow campers. You will, at this time, drop off any medication and spending money that your child may have for the camp store...Normally not more than \$20-25 per week- Its up to you! Parents will also have an opportunity to look around the camp, take a short hike to the beautiful Mogollon Rim, and see the facilities. *Parents and family members are asked to depart camp by 1:45PM* in order that camp may begin. **Please make certain your child has eaten lunch prior to dropping them off at camp.** Their first camp meal will be dinner on Sunday evening.

I AM PLANNING TO **CAR POOL! IS THIS OKAY?**

Certainly! But, if you are sending your child with another trusted adult, please **MAKE CERTAIN that if your child takes medication that you have filled out the Online Medication Form before hand.** You may want to make certain they have camp store money for snacks, etc. as well!

WHEN DO WE LEAVE CAMP?

Check-out time for campers will be from 10:30 - 11:15 AM on the Saturday they are leaving. We will also be showing a Multi-Media presentation of the week's activities in the Mess Hall prior to the exhibition. This presentation will be available on DVD. Parents are welcome to bring a picnic lunch for their family to enjoy at camp, or you may take your camper out for lunch before the pleasant drive home. The kids may be craving fast food by then! ☺

MEDICATIONS

Many of our campers have either prescription or non-prescription medications they take regularly. We ask that any medications be dropped off at the check-in table and we will make certain your child gets the proper dosage at the proper time. All prescription medication will be administered by staff according to the directions provided on the original container. This way, we can be certain your child is taking their medications and we don't have medications floating around camp. We do allow campers to keep inhalers on their person as long as parents feel comfortable with this. If your child is on an inhaler, please make certain their name is clearly written on the container as there are many inhalers that look alike. We can keep inhalers as well, but most parents prefer to allow their child to keep their inhaler on their person. Breathing machines will be kept in the staff/first aid quarters and administered as directed by parents. The online medication form is [here](#) or on our website on the "Camper Meds" tab.

IS SPENDING MONEY NEEDED? – CAMP STORE

Snacks and basic supplies are available at the Camp Store which opens at least twice daily. We ask that campers keep no cash on hand for security reasons. Parents may deposit money into the Camp Store during check in (CASH OR CHECK ONLY) and campers may draw upon this credited amount. Any money that is not spent by the end of camp will be returned in cash. Most campers deposit about \$20-\$25 per week. Campers can also purchase extra shoe laces, shampoo, toothpaste, chap-stick, etc. if needed. Stamps are provided sold on a limited basis. If your child forgets something such as underwear, or a towel... we will gladly purchase this item from town for your child. We will keep the receipt for you! Yep – we've had kids show up with only one pair of underwear ☺

WHAT DOES MY CHILD NEED TO BRING?

A thorough "list of items to bring" is included with this packet of information. All campers' **clothing should be clearly marked with your camper's full name.** Each camper should bring enough clothing for the duration of their stay. If your camper is staying for multiple weeks, we will launder their clothing for them. Remember, at an elevation of nearly 7,000 feet the daytime temperatures typically range from the mid 70's to the low 90's with the evening temperatures dropping into the low 50's to low 60's. It may rain a little in the late afternoons as well. Consider the diverse climate as you pack.

WHERE DO CAMPERS SLEEP?

In cabins, under a staff member's supervision. The cabins contain bunk-beds with mattresses. Your child will need to bring a sleeping bag and pillow...or sheet and a blanket. They can even bring stuff toys to cuddle with ☺

WHO WILL BE IN MY CHILD'S CABIN?

We want our campers to meet new people and develop new friendships, but we fully recognize the fact that bunking with friends and teammates is important. Campers are housed, first by gender, then by age brackets. We try not to put, for example, an 8 year old girl with a 14 year old girl. We make every attempt to keep friends and/or teammates together, but there is no guarantee. There is a finite number of campers who can live in each cabin. We, at times, have entire teams register...15 or 16 kids all wanting to be together. In this case, we will place them in cabins next to each other, but we cannot put 16 kids in one cabin. We will make every attempt to accommodate cabin requests as long as the requests reflect the same gender and the same age (within a grade level one way or another). Each cabin will be supervised by a staff member as well. These staff members have been to this camp themselves (as a camper).

What is the breakdown between boys and girls?

It generally runs about 50 – 50, but may vary from week to week. We make no attempt to restrict nor encourage either gender.

What about food?

Nobody goes to summer camp for the culinary experience, but we are fortunate to have great food! All meals are provided for the campers - breakfast, lunch and dinner. Each meal is balanced and delicious! As explained above, there are also snacks available at the camp store. If your child has any dietary needs or allergies, (lactose intolerant, vegetarian, allergic to wheat, etc.) please contact the Camp Director at Scott@azsocccercamp.com and we will make certain his/her needs are met. The staff at Camp Grace is terrific at working with us on providing for those needs.

What about **CELL PHONES**? Can I call my kid?



Part of the concept of **going away to camp** is the “going away” part. We ask that campers do not bring cell phones. Emergency messages can be E-Mailed to scott@azsocccercamp.com or left at 480-217-4095. Calling to speak to your child to see if they are homesick only increases the chances that they will become homesick. No news is good news. *Let's let the kids have their solitude and you can enjoy yours as well.* Phone calls home are reserved for emergencies only. You may, of course, send mail to your camper at the address provided earlier in this packet! If you insist on your child having the cell phone, we will keep it safely in the staff office to prevent misuse, destruction or theft. They may use it in the privacy of the staff quarters if need be. Please see Cell Phone Policy under the Registration tab on the website if you have

I own a cabin in the area, can I drop by and watch my child?

Certainly! It is up to you and your child. Caution needs to be taken, however, if your child is very young. Seeing you come and go often may make the stay more difficult. If your child is older, they may be “embarrassed” having “mom and dad checking up on them”. These are issues that only you, as a parent, can determine. If you do want to stop by, please check-in with the camp staff to identify yourself as we don't allow “strangers” to just hang around the camp grounds. If you E-Mail first, we will be able to provide you with a schedule of activities so you can specifically choose an activity you are interested in observing.

AZ SOCCER CAMP CHECK-LIST THINGS TO BRING

RECOMMENDED LIST OF THINGS TO BRING

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| <input type="checkbox"/> A soccer ball | <input type="checkbox"/> Medications |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shin Guards | <input type="checkbox"/> A bag for soiled clothing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Soccer Shoes (Cleats) | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 sleeping bag |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 6 sport or T-Shirts | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Towels |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Warm Jacket/Sweater | <input type="checkbox"/> Chap stick |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 8 Pairs of socks | <input type="checkbox"/> Sunscreen |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 long sleeved Shirt | <input type="checkbox"/> Soap in a container |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Pair of jeans | <input type="checkbox"/> Toothbrush & paste |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 6 Pairs of shorts | <input type="checkbox"/> Comb/Brush |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tennis Shoes | <input type="checkbox"/> Shampoo |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flashlight | <input type="checkbox"/> Deodorant |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 8 pair of underwear | <input type="checkbox"/> Mosquito Repellent |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Addressed/Stamped Post Cards | <input type="checkbox"/> Water Bottle (w/ name) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Camp Store \$ | <input type="checkbox"/> GK Gloves (if you are a GK) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A Cheap Poncho | <input type="checkbox"/> Swim Suit |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shoes that can get wet | <input type="checkbox"/> Sandals ,FLIP-FLOPS, etc. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Outfit & Shoes that can get muddy/dirty | |



EXTREMELY USEFUL, BUT NOT REQUIRED

- Quiet Games – Cards, etc
- A Good Book for quiet times
- Pillow - *1 for offense, 1 for defense! (Just kidding!)*

**USE "DUFFEL BAGS" OR SOFT SUITCASES
NO TRUNKS**



**WRITE YOUR NAME ON EVERYTHING
EVEN YOUR SHOES & SOCCER BALL!**

PLEASE LEAVE AT HOME

CELL PHONES

Expensive Jewelry

MP3 Players*

Pocket Knives

Sling Shots

Bad Attitudes

Lap Tops

Tablets

Any illegal substance

Weapons of any kind

* *MP3 players are allowed to be listened to at night while sleeping, but we do not permit campers to walk around camp wearing ear buds, or surfing the net at night with wireless devices....E-Mailing friends, chatting, etc. See the Technology Policy on the Registration tab of the website for more information.*

* *Why no Cell Phones? If you would like to review the policy...it provides a rational...you can find it on the registration tab of the website....azsoccercamp.com Perhaps you want to read it with your child???*

