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 Rev 1, September 3, 2023

Field	Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Richmond	4:00PM-5:00PM	G8-04-Green	G7-01-Heck			G8-03-Topar
		G7-06-McCullough				B6-01-Grubbs
		G6-02-Billups				
Richmond	5:00PM-6:00PM	B8-01-Cook	B7-09-Ely		B6-06-Ruiz	B8-03-Kidambi
		B8-09-Billups	B7-07-Piccioli		B8-05-Cruz	G8-01-Deanda
		B7-10-Ries	B8-08-Avon		B6-04-Vanek	B7-05-Diaz
		G6-05-Ferrero	G8-02-Davilla		B7-06-Tomasulo	B7-01-Gutierrez
			B7-04-Farrell		G7-07-Samuel	
Richmond	6:00PM-7:00PM		B8-06-Browning		B6-02-Bahor	
		B7-03-Weinbaum	B7-08-Kielman		G7-04-Bauer	
		G7-05-Showkatian	B8-07-Braun		B8-04-Gonzales	
			B6-07-Idzikowski		G8-05-Raschilla	
Richmond	7:00PM-8:00PM				G6-04-Solomos	
Brett	4:00PM-5:00PM	B6-05-Jauregui		G6-03-Easton	G7-02-Peterson	
		G6-06-Johnson				
Brett	5:00PM-6:00PM		B6-03-Wiese	G6-01-Verlardo	G12-01-Kidambi	B12-04-Lin
			G12-02-Ferguson	B7-02-Goldman	G12-04-Cook	
Brett	6:00PM-7:15PM	B12-06-Whelan		B12-06-Whelan		B12-05-Phelps
						B12-02-Nicol
Brett	7:15PM-8:45PM		G12-05-Davlantis	B12-01-Collard	B16-Issock	
			B14-R92-04-Keith			

Campus West	4:00PM-5:00PM		G10-06-Green		G10-07-Nair	B10-14-Meyer
		G16-McFadden	B10-11-Kidambi			
		B10-01-Krumbach				
Campus West	5:00PM-6:00PM	G10-01-Mecca	B10-05-Vanek	G10-04-Robinson	G10-03-Pratt	G8-06-Phelps
		B10-04-Eno	G10-05-Wassel		B14-R92-03-Nair	B14-R92-03-Nair
			B10-13-Mecklenburg			
Campus West	6:00PM-7:00PM	B10-10-Weissauer	B10-07-Stewart	G10-02-Tyler	B10-03-Davlantis	
		B10-09-MacKusick	B10-12-Paterson	B12-02-Nicol	B10-06-Braff	
		B10-08-Allen	G14-R92-01-Gormley		G14-R92-02-Childs	
		B10-02-Morra				
Campus West	7:00PM-8:30PM	B12-01-Collard	G14-R92-03-Stewart	G19-Johnson	G14-R92-03-Stewart	
		B14-04-Keith	B19-02-Reyes	B19-01-Toledo	G19-Johnson	
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Kevin.Johnson2@Ferguson.com

Subject: AYSO U19B Voicing Field Space CONCERNS

Dear Council Members,

My name is Luis Toledo and I am an AYSO coach for the U19B division. I am reaching out to you to voice my concern and frustration with the field availability I am experiencing so far in 2 practices this Fall season (Tuesday 6:45 pm to 8:00 pm and Wednesday 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm) at Campus El Segundo.

On Tuesday we were kicked off the field because a Club team had "paid" for the space, and AYSO was forced to make it work and practice with multiple teams in only ½ field.

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This may sound new to you, however, for us at AYSO it is **NOT**. It happens every season, especially in the Fall season when we are supposed to have more preference over other field renters.

From my view, I can only see a very dysfunctional process between the City and AYSO. AYSO publishes the calendar of the practices to all coaches, only for us as coaches and players to find out they are not completely true. Nobody seems to have the right answer and it seems to me we are the ones fixing a City problem and the city does not care (We only interact with the field caretaker who only follows orders).

Or maybe the City only cares about the money they get from adult leagues who may pay a higher fee than AYSO (**I do not know that for a fact, but it certainly feels that way!**).

Thank you for your time and consideration and hope you improve your internal processes and communication to AYSO to avoid these issues in the future. I know the AYSO management team is working hard to resolve these issues with you, but so far these are the results we see as coaches working with the kids.

The only ones who benefit or not are the young people of El Segundo who want to practice a sport, and we cannot even provide that?...

I believe we can and must do better for our kids!

Sincerely,

Luis Toledo
410.869.2473

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Thanks again for jumping on this.

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> Thank you.

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Brendan Gormley <elsegundorc.bg@gmail.com>

> Sent: Tuesday, September 5, 2023 11:12 PM

> To: Mancini, Aly <amancini@elsegundo.org>

> Subject: AYSO and Campus El Segundo

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> Hi Aly,

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> I hope this email finds you well and that we get the chance to meet in person some time soon. My name is Brendan Gormley and I am the relatively new (3 or 4 months) commissioner of AYSO Region 92 here in El Segundo.

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> I am writing to you as a last resort, as I tried to go through the typical channels but keep running into field allocation issues. This past evening, after being told we have Campus East up until 8:00pm Mon-Fri a couple coaches were asked by Rec and Park employees to vacate the East field at 7:00pm because a club team had reserved the space. The employee did show me that there was a reservation and I know it was not his fault but this seems to be a regular occurrence.

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> I know AYSO and El Segundo Recreation & Parks have a long standing relationship and it has been a great partnership in enhancing the quality of life in El Segundo but this issue of scheduling has come up time and time again. It is frustrating to have a program with 78% of our registrants (705 players) living in El Segundo being displaced for a team that I am guessing is made up of players from all over the South Bay. I have mentioned this in the past but if it is a matter of paying for the fields, Region 92 would be more than willing to kick in and help the city above and beyond our field usage fees. At this point we are spread very thin in terms of accommodating all of our players and teams and being told we have a certain time and to find out it has been taken from us without warning does not seem fair.

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> Thank you in advance for your time and I do hope we can work together and figure out a way for Campus scheduling to work for everyone.

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> I can always be reached on my cell if you would like to discuss.

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> Best,

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> Brendan Gormley

> Region 92 Commissioner

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