



Acton-Boxboro Youth Soccer

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To the players, parents and coaches of Acton Boxborough Youth Soccer:

The past year has proved to be an exciting one for our club. We embarked on a plan to improve the level of training for our players and coaches alike. We piloted several different programs addressing the needs of both, all of which have been favorably received. Your feedback on these programs has helped us to continue to refine them. Our recently conducted survey responses quantified all this and more. While we have much to improve, you have endorsed the direction the club is taking and expressed a financial willingness to support its growth.

This coming spring season ABYS will continue the expansion of our professional coaching staff under the leadership of Mitch Doherty, ABYS Director of Coaching. Either with their teammates and/or with players who share common training interests, the number of opportunities for our players to participate with professional staff will increase. Coaches will also have increased opportunity for their own personal coaching development. Our coaches are, after all, our front line in helping our kids develop a love and knowledge of the game, and retaining the passion to play in our program.

As you can imagine, or may have heard, all this comes with a price. With an overwhelming majority of our survey respondents in support, and after a review of youth sports program costs in our towns and surrounding towns, the Board of Directors of ABYS has approved a fee increase that will be implemented in two phases starting with Spring 2010 registration (see below). ABYS has held its registration fees for over 3 years as costs have escalated around us and the services our program provides have broadened. No child who has expressed interest in playing in our program has been unable to do so because of financial need. This remains a core belief of your club. As the country comes out of recession, and many folks continue to struggle economically, the fee increase is not something taken lightly. So, your support is greatly appreciated as we work to provide the best possible soccer program and associated services for all of the children in the club: Kinders, town, and travel.

The Board of ABYS will continue to solicit your feedback as our programs evolve and we add new ones. We hope that you will continue to embrace the online survey tool. A summary of your responses will be posted on the ABYS web site.

On behalf of the Board of Directors of ABYS,

Seth Tower, President

Registration Fee Increases

	Current	New 2010 spring	New 2010 fall	2011 Spring & Fall
Kinder	\$65	\$80	\$80	\$80
Town	\$80	\$110	\$110	\$110
Travel	\$80	\$110	\$135	\$135

NOTE: The 2nd phase of the fee increase to \$135 in the fall 2010 is for TRAVEL players only. This increase reflects the additional costs of league fees, referees, and field maintenance.

NOTE: The Family Fee Cap is currently at 2.5 registrations

