PYSA Playing Time Policy

PYSA expects players to prioritize being part of a team and to participate fully in games and training sessions during the season. Most teams train twice a week to develop a common approach to game strategy and tactics, and to build team spirit.

If a player is unable to attend at least one regularly scheduled team training session per week in the regular season due to conflicts with other activities, PYSA gives its coaches the discretion to play that player less than 50% of the next scheduled game. This applies to all players, on all teams, regardless of age, division, or gender.

Approved and accepted reasons for missing training sessions without affecting playing time include illness, school/academic activities, religious activities and observances.

Non-approved reasons include participation on other soccer activities/teams, or other sports, or simply just deciding not to show up.

Parents should discuss commitments, and potential conflicts, with coaches prior to the season and as the season progresses.

PYSA recognizes that some player situations may require special treatment and encourages coaches to address special requests with parents and players, within the overall framework of the team.