

Rancho Park, CA  
Saturday, October 8, 2005

A young child was severely bitten by a pit-bull type of dog at the Cheviot Hills fields at 10:30 a.m., requiring the child to be rushed to an area hospital. West Los Angeles police were called, the dog was impounded and the incident was the subject of a complete police investigation.

This is real, it actually happened. Thankfully, no one from AYSO was involved, but it reinforces one of the reasons why we have a ***“POSITIVELY NO DOGS ALLOWED where our children play soccer”*** rule.

The other major reason is that our kids expect us to give their game our full attention, instead of fussing over the dog while the kids play soccer.

Finally, dogs can be messy and a hot day with many excited children and their parents is just not conducive to a fun day out for man's best friend.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

**The Board**  
**AYSO Region 70, West Los Angeles**