

## Staff

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### Our Coaching and Administrative Staff

Alaska Rush takes great pride in the coaches that coach for the club. In fact, they are the cornerstone and backbone of who and what we are.

Developing soccer players is the primary objective for our coaches, but what cannot be underestimated is the importance of coaches shaping lives. Gone are the days when coaching responsibilities consist of working with X's and O's. Today, coaches must not only be technically proficient and tactically sound, but also have an understanding of how to teach players to take care of their bodies and minds. Running sprints is no longer the only method of maintaining fitness. Today's athlete must understand the importance of endurance for sure, but strength, coordination, nutrition are all facets of physical conditioning. Understanding the psyche of youth players and managing those players is also a key component in coaching. Today's coaches must be able to motivate and build self-esteem in their players. All this simply means we need quality, well-rounded men and women to lead our youth to success both on and off the field. Coaches are now teachers, motivators, psychologist, mentors and more.

Our coaches continually strive to develop players on and off the pitch. It is a great privilege to coach in the Rush, the premier soccer organization in the world.

The administrative staff for Alaska Rush is also a key component to our club's overall success. We have a diverse staff of men and women who ensure that the club's day to day needs are met. Whether it is assisting the club's directors, sponsorship and fundraising, handling registration, answering phone calls and emails or simply working on general club business there are a few things that one will find consistent. The Rush administrative staff is constantly striving to be organized, professional and courteous while making sure that the wants and needs of our members is priority number one.

The administrative branch of our club plays a role in every championship we win, every player we develop and every branch partner with whom we team.

### Chain of Command

Any concerns questions comments should follow the chain of command designed by the Rush. The communication chain should progress as follows: Head Coach of the team, Director of Coaching (of respective age/gender group), Technical Director, President & C.E.O., Board of Directors. Every effort must be made to adhere to the flow chart.

If you are interested in coaching or working with the Alaska Rush, please contact our [Technical Director](#).

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Title/Position	Name/Profile
<b>Technical Director</b>	<a href="#">Jason Leonardis</a>  UEFA B License  USSF B License
<a href="#">Associate Technical Director</a>	<a href="#">Joe Wentworth</a>  USSF B License

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<a href="#">Director of Coaching Girls</a>	<a href="#">Cari Gill</a> USSF C License
<a href="#">Director of Coaching Goalkeeping</a>	Steve Medina NSCAA Regional Goalkeeping Diploma
<a href="#">C.A.P. Director</a>	<a href="#">Dan Rufner</a>
<a href="#">R.E.A.C.H. Coordinator</a>	Marisol Vargas
Office Manager	<a href="#">Marlenny Campbell</a>
Office Manager	Linda Burke
<b>Elite Programs</b>	
<a href="#">Lead Technical Coach</a> - Next:1 Training	<a href="#">Yeniell Bermudez</a> AYSA E License
<a href="#">Lead Technical Coach</a> - Next:1/RUSH	<a href="#">Yeniell Bermudez</a> AYSA E License
<a href="#">Lead Goalkeeper Coach</a> - GK:1 Training	<a href="#">Jason Leonardis</a> USSF National Goalkeeping License Scottish FA Level 2 Goalkeeping Certificate NSCAA National Goalkeeping Diploma

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<a href="#">Lead Coach</a> - The Future	<a href="#">Cari Gill</a>  USSF C License	
<b>Seniors</b>		
U19G	<a href="#">Head Coach</a> - Alaska Rush 97/98G	<a href="#">Mike Montgomery</a>  NSCAA National Diploma
U17G	<a href="#">Head Coach</a> - Alaska Rush 99G	<a href="#">Mike Montgomery</a>  NSCAA National Diploma
	<a href="#">Head Coach</a> - Alaska Rush 99G Black	<a href="#">Yeniell Bermudez</a>  AYSA E License
	<a href="#">Assistant Coach</a> - Alaska Rush 99G Black	Yordani Ferrer
U16G	<a href="#">Head Coach</a> - Alaska Rush 00G	<a href="#">Cari Gill</a>  USSF C License
	<a href="#">Assistant Coach</a> - Alaska Rush 00G	
<b>Juniors</b>		
U15B	<a href="#">Head Coach</a> - Fairbanks Rush 01B	<a href="#">Justin Racette</a>  USSF C License

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	<a href="#">Assistant Coach</a> - Alaska Rush 01B	Yordani Ferrer
U14B	<a href="#">Head Coach</a> - Alaska Rush 02B	<a href="#">Joe Wentworth</a> USSF B License
	<a href="#">Assistant Coach</a> - Alaska Rush 02B	<a href="#">Brian Farrell</a> USSF D License
U14B	<a href="#">Head Coach</a> - Fairbanks Rush 02B	<a href="#">Justin Racette</a> USSF C License
U14G	<a href="#">Head Coach</a> - Alaska Rush 02G	<a href="#">Cari Gill</a> USSF C License
	<a href="#">Assistant Coach</a> - Alaska Rush 02G	<a href="#">Mike Montgomery</a> NSCAA National Diploma
U13B	<a href="#">Head Coach</a> - Alaska Rush 03B	Chris Hoke AYSA E License
	<a href="#">Assistant Coach</a> - Alaska Rush 03B	Sean Schubert IYSA E License
U13B	<a href="#">Head Coach</a> - Fairbanks Rush	<a href="#">Janet Schaefer</a>

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	<a href="#">Assistant Coach</a> - Alaska Rush 03G	Yordani Ferrer
<b>Youth</b>		
U12B	<a href="#">Head Coach</a> - Alaska Rush 04B	Obed Vargas AYSA E License
	<a href="#">Assistant Coach</a> - Alaska Rush 04B	<a href="#">Lucio Gutierrez</a> AYSA D License
	<a href="#">Head Coach</a> - Alaska Rush 04B Black	<a href="#">Chris Seidl</a> AYSA E License
	<a href="#">Assistant Coach</a> - Alaska Rush 04B Black	
U12G	<a href="#">Head Coach</a> - Alaska Rush 04G	<a href="#">Jason Leonardis</a> UEFA B License USSF B License
	<a href="#">Assistant Coach</a> - Alaska Rush 04G	John Johnson AYSA E License
U11B	<a href="#">Head Coach</a> - Alaska Rush 05B	<a href="#">Dan Rufner</a> NSCAA National Diploma

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U11G	<a href="#">Head Coach</a> - Alaska Rush 05G	<a href="#">Jason Leonardis</a>  UEFA B License  USSF B License
	<a href="#">Assistant Coach</a> - Alaska Rush 05G	<a href="#">Melany Luiten</a>  USSF D License
<b>SOE Academy</b>		
U10B	<a href="#">Head Coach</a> - Alaska Rush 06B	<a href="#">Chris Seidl</a>  AYSA E License
	<a href="#">Assistant Coach</a> - Alaska Rush 06B	Yordani Ferrer
U10G	<a href="#">Head Coach</a> - Alaska Rush 06G	<a href="#">Jason Leonardis</a>  UEFA B License  USSF B License
	<a href="#">Assistant Coach</a> - Alaska Rush 06G	
<b>Alaska Rush School of Excellence</b>		
U10B	<a href="#">Lead Coach</a> - School of Excellence: U10B Bantams	
	<a href="#">Head Coach</a> - Alaska Rush 06B	<a href="#">Chris Seidl</a>  AYSA E License

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U9B	<p><b>Lead Coach</b> - School of Excellence: U9B Bantams</p> <p><b>Head Coach</b> - Alaska Rush 07B</p>	<p>Yordani Ferrer</p>
U9G	<p><b>Lead Coach</b> - School of Excellence: U9G Bantams</p> <p><b>Head Coach</b> - Alaska Rush 07G</p>	<p><a href="#">Dan Rufner</a></p> <p>NSCAA National Diploma</p>
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U8G	<a href="#">Lead Coach</a> - School of Excellence: U8G Cadets	<a href="#">Jason Leonardis</a>  UEFA B License  USSF B License
U6B	<a href="#">Lead Coach</a> - School of Excellence: U6B Micros	Scott Henry AYSA E License
U6G	<a href="#">Lead Coach</a> - School of Excellence: U6G Micros	Laura Aspelund



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<b>Athletic Trainer</b>		
Certified Athletic Trainer		<a href="#">Lynne Young</a>