

AJAA Families,

Over the past year, the AJAA Board of Directors, myself, and staff have been working with The Town of Avon to find a long-term solution to improve upon an already successful and growing youth sports organization. In May, AJAA and The Town of Avon decided to partner together to combine resources, better support our staff and volunteers, and help meet the growing needs of our participants. We are looking forward to the potential opportunities of land acquisition, adding new programming, and multi-site use.

As of last Friday, Avon Junior Athletic Association has officially transferred its property, programs, and staff over to The Town of Avon under the Parks & Recreation Sports Division. What many of us understand AJAA to be will now be called "**Avon Youth Sports**," which will be a part of the Avon Indiana Sports Division through the Parks & Recreation Department.

This is a very positive and exciting change for the families in this community!

Some benefits of this change are listed below:

- More financial stability (removal of annual family fee of \$50)
- Increased support for volunteers (Commissioners, Coordinators, and Coaches, etc.)
- Strengthened relationship with Avon Community School Corporation
- Increased on-site staff presence at programming
- Opportunities for new land acquisition and multi-site facilities
- Joining a like-minded organization (Town of Avon) that has the same passion and drive for serving the Avon community

Some of what is not changing is listed below:

- Current staff and daily operations
- Current program offerings
- Volunteers (Commissioners, Coordinators, and Coaches, etc.)
- Location the main office/fields located at 866 S. County Rd. 625 E. in Avon
- Avon school facility usage

AJAA has provided outstanding youth sports opportunities for 60 years in the Avon community and this partnership will allow us to build upon the foundation that is already in place. We look forward to making our community and Avon Youth Sports the best it has ever been and I believe this partnership will do just that!

Our youth. Our future. GO AVON !!!

Sincerely,

Justin Thompson Sports Director Town of Avon, Indiana