**REFEREEING CAN TEACH VALUABLE LESSONS**

Being a Youth Soccer Referee may be a first step into the workforce and can help him / her prepare for the demands and responsibilities of "the real world."

Part time jobs teach students many valuable lessons about respect and responsibility, both important ingredients for school success.

**A JOB AS A SOCCER REFEREE CAN TEACH ONE HOW TO:**

***BE ON TIME***: Punctuality is crucial in the workplace. Others will depend on your teen to show up when expected. (Soccer Referees at least 30 min. before scheduled game time)

***WORK WITH OTHERS***: A youth Referee will have to get along with his or her fellow Referees and take direction from an Assignor or Mentor or Assessor or an experienced Referee

***BEHAVE PROFESSIONALLY***: A Referee's behavior and how he or she communicates reflect on the all referees. A Referee will need to be on his/her best behavior at all times.

***DRESS PROFESSIONALLY***: As a Referee he/she will have a dress codes with a uniform requirement.

***INTERACT WITH CUSTOMERS***: Refereeing involves working with the public. he or she will need to be polite and helpful to all kinds of people, even those who may not treat them in the same courteous fashion.

***THINK ABOUT HIS OR HER FUTURE***: Experience as a Referee will help him/her learn to decide if a line of work is right for him or her.