



Aliso Niguel High School Soccer Program
WOLVERINES



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Boys Frosh/Soph
Aliso Niguel 0 vs. Capistrano Valley 2

With the preseason games under their belt, the Wolverines of Aliso Niguel opened the first game of league standings against the Capistrano Valley Cougars at Aliso Niguel High School Stadium. The Wolverines got off to a slow start as the visitors stretched out the field. The defense was pressured throughout the entire first half. In the 22nd minute Capo Valley nearly scored on a free kick outside the penalty box. Alex Arrieta stretched out and saved the goal. The Aliso Niguel offense had a tough time moving the ball into their opponent's defense. With several great saves by Alex and the rest of the defense, Aliso Niguel was able to take a 0-0 tie into the halftime intermission.

The second half got off to a good start for the home team. In the 39th minute, Aliso Niguel was able to string together several passes to gain access into the Capo Valley defense. Unfortunately five minutes later, the Cougar's right winger dribbled through the defense and popped the ball into the back of the net for the first goal of the match. Aliso Niguel's first goal scoring opportunity came in the 47th minute as Kenichi Hashimoto made a great run from midfield all the way down inside the 18. Unfortunately his shot was saved by the keeper. Just two minutes later Kenichi teamed up with Petrus Nguyen who got off a great shot but lifted it over the goal. In the 55th minute there was a lot of action and confusion in front of Aliso Niguel net. Connor Joyce did a great job of clearing things out. Two minutes later the same Capo forward snuck behind the defenders to head a bouncing ball into the net. It appeared from our vantage point that he was off-sides but there was no signal from the officials. With four minutes remaining Aliso was awarded a corner kick. The beautiful kick sent in by Michael Waterhouse was volleyed and shot several times by the Aliso Niguel offensive players. Unfortunately, the Wolverines were unable to score on any of their attempts. The game ended 2-0 in favor of the visitors.