



Aliso Niguel High School Soccer Program
WOLVERINES



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Boys Frosh/Soph
Aliso Niguel 2 vs. Dana Hills 0

Aliso Niguel Frosh/Soph was headed in the right direction with their 1-1 tie against Mission Viejo on Wednesday. Still looking for their first win, the Wolverines hosted the Dolphins of Dana Hills. Aliso Niguel was very anxious to get some offensive opportunities. Maybe a bit too anxious as they were repeatedly caught in an offside trap set by Dana Hills. The first goal scoring opportunity for Aliso Niguel came in the 7th minute of play as Michael Waterhouse sent a beautiful cross into the goal mouth. Daniel Zadeh connected with a header but it was saved by the keeper. Again in the 12th minute Nathan Lee broke thru the defense but the low dribbler was collected by the keeper. Dana picked things up midway thru the half. Connor Joyce made a great save as he punched a shot over the net. In the ensuing corner kick, he sacrificed his body to save a loose ball in front of the net. Kenichi Hashimoto and Alec Sheedy did a great job of moving the ball down the field. Nathan was taken down from behind on a breakaway in the 24th minute. He was awarded a yellow card for his reaction to the foul. The free kick taken by Michael was right on the mark as Kenichi connected with a header but it missed the mark wide to the left. For the third time of the match, Michael sent in a kick and again the ball was headed toward goal by Daniel just missing the net and out of bounds. Dana Hills got close to scoring late in the half as a Connor Joyce made a great save. By the end of the half there was no score.

In the first 30 seconds of the second half, Aliso marched down the field and Armen Agahi blasted a shot into the side of the net just missing the target. And two minutes later Petrus Nguyen sent Kenichi on a breakaway to the goal. Unfortunately, the defender was too fast and caught up with him for the take away. In the 51st minute Nathan broke thru the defense but was unable to get a left footed shot off towards the goal. He made up for it one minute later as he rushed past the Dolphin defense. Feeling pressure from the chase, Nathan laid off a beautiful pass to Armen who sidestepped the last defender and sliced a shot into the net past the diving keeper. Alex Arrieta made a great save in the 54th minute as the defense was caught off guard. Aliso Niguel did a much better job of adapting to the off side traps in the second half. Nathan's hard work and determination paid off in the 64th minute as he whizzed past the defenders to go 1v1 with the keeper. He coolly out maneuvered the advancing keeper and passed the ball into the net for the second and final goal of the match. The 2-0 victory was a great team effort.