



Wellington Soccer Club, Inc.

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Wellington Soccer Travel Academy Program

WHAT IS THE ACADEMY?

The Wellington Soccer Academy is a center of training excellence where all players train twice weekly with professional licensed coaches.

Grouped by ability level, player progress is monitored through bi-annual technical evaluations. The combination of training and games provide the players with the best possible foundation of skills and knowledge of the game. The program is a great introduction to competitive soccer.

Players are selected through an evaluation process and placed on a team with players of similar ability. Throughout the season, weekend games are played against other Wellington Soccer Academy teams in addition to other local Academy Clubs. Players may be rotated and exchanged from team to team throughout the season.

Additional training opportunities including speed, strength and agility training will be available and encouraged. The Academy teams participate in 2-4 tournaments per year.

MISSION STATEMENT

Wellington Soccer Academy demonstrates to players a passion, hunger and respect for the game. Our objective is to help players develop a love of the game; teach skills that help players enjoy the game; train players to use proper technique before bad habits form; providing organized practices using well planned and time-tested teaching techniques.

The Academy provides a safe enjoyable training and learning environment for each player. The training is based around the technical fundamentals of soccer with the curriculum consisting of age related activities as recommended by USSF National Youth License, USYSA and UEFA programs.

The emphasis is on developing the complete player in all four pillars of the game including: technical, tactical, physical, and psychological.

KEY GOALS

- **Provide the player foundation for the longevity of their playing career.**
- **We will introduce soccer to the young people and parents in the community by providing a safe, fun and professional training environment where players can enjoy and develop their soccer skills and techniques without fear of failure or pressure from over enthusiastic adults.**
- **Provide an educational environment for players and parents concerning club values.**

TEAMS AND GAMES

Players are grouped by ability level, but all follow the same curriculum.

WHILE THE ACADEMY PROGRAM FUNCTIONS IN A COMPETITIVE ATMOSPHERE, COMPETITION IS NOT THE FOREMOST FOCUS. WE URGE OUR COACHES AND PARENTS TO GIVE EACH PLAYER CONTINUOUS SUPPORT BASED UPON EACH INDIVIDUAL PLAYER'S NEEDS. PARENTS SHOULD EXPECT THERE TO BE CHANGES IN LEVELS OF PLAY AS THE PLAYER(S) MATURE.

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