

2016-17 Indiana Olympic Development Program – Todd Sheely, Director

Program Philosophy, Components and Activity Summary

Development is *the act or process of developing; unfolding; a gradual growth or advancement through progressive changes*. While ultimately the role of the Indiana Olympic Development Program is the identification and selection of players with the ability to progress to the next level of competition, the developmental process should be and will be at the forefront of the Indiana Olympic Development Program. The top players want to be challenged in competitive, positive and developmental environments against players of equal or better proficiency. If we refer to the above definition of "Development," The Indiana Olympic Development Program goals are to provide for the unfolding of ideas about the game of soccer, to assist in developing the player's confidence as well as ideas in order to solve problems the game presents, and to provide opportunities for the gradual growth and advancement of the player through challenging, creative, and positive training and playing environments.

The Indiana Olympic Development Program calendar runs from the end of August, when we begin the 11 month journey of identifying, evaluating, and training players, to June when we host an Intra State Event. Here we will have 12 of our own teams playing and then for some players an invite to the Region II ID camp in July. From the ID Camp invitations players are selected to the Region II Pool for inclusion to events throughout the year.

Program player developmental goals were as follows:

- Understand, learn, and develop the technical qualities necessary to advance one's game to the Regional and National level.
- Expand interpretation and understanding of the game from different perspectives (Systems and Positions).
- Learn and develop problem solving skills to be used before, during, and after matches.
- Learn how to confront adversity and respond responsibly, maturely, and thoughtfully.
- Learn how to effectively use different forms of communication with teammates and coaches.
- Learn how your role may change playing in different systems and in different positions.
- Become a soccer player, not a system or positional player.

To accomplish the overall goals of the Indiana Olympic Development Program as well as the player development goals, the Olympic Development Program training and developmental calendar (August – July) is broken down into three phases. The three phases are Phase 1 (Fall), Phase 2 (Winter), and Phase 3 (Summer). Phase 1 and Phase 2 are considered State Pool Training which encompasses a larger pool of players. Players in the State Pool are trained and evaluated for a 6 month period (September – February) in preparation for our coaches to invite a selected group of players into Phase 3. Phase 3 is considered the State Team Pool. Every player invited to continue training as part of Phase 3 will either be named to the State Team or as an alternate. The players are trained in this tighter, more homogenous environment for a period of 4 months in preparation for the Intra-State Region II Cup. In June, 2017 this event was hosted by Indiana which included competition against the following states: Illinois, Kentucky and Wisconsin. Each age group, except for the 2005's, has a Region II ID Camp for selected players in July, 2017. In July 2017 the Region II ID camp was held in Saginaw, Michigan. Only invited players can attend this four day camp. The Regional Pool is selected in the 2000-2004 age groups for ultimate selection to attend national events.

The 2005's attended a camp with Illinois and Wisconsin hosted at Northern Illinois University in DeKalb, Illinois. Players participated in mix training and games through the 3 day camp.

The Olympic Development Program calendar also includes other special features and programs which are offered to enhance the player's developmental experience as well as accomplish the goals of the program:

ODP Friendlies/Scrimmages and participation in Tournaments

Positive remarks repetitively offered by participants concerning the Olympic Development Program are about the opportunity for the State Pool/Team to play against outside competition throughout the year. In 2016-17 Indiana ODP participated in the following events:

- Nov. 10-12, 2016: 2003 and 2004 Boys State Pool Teams – Germantown Invitational (Memphis, TN)
- Nov. 17-19, 2016: 2003 and 2004 Girls State Pool Teams – Germantown Invitational (Memphis, TN)
- January 11, 2017 2000-2002 Boys and Girls Fort Wayne United Indoor Event
- March 11 and 12, 2017 2003-2004 Boys and Girls Illinois ODP Friendlies
- June 29-July 1, 2017: All Age Groups – ODP Regional II Challenge Cup – Hosted by Indiana at Grand Park
- July 8-11, 2017 2005 Developmental Camp

Open High School Evaluation Program

The Open High School Evaluation Program was established to satisfy the need to provide identification opportunities for players in high school to possibly join the State Pool in their age group. The Open High School Evaluation Program allows players who may have been part of the program in the past but dropped out, or who were not selected in the previous year to be re-identified or for those that have never been involved in the past but now have an interest in being identified, as an avenue for selection into their respective age group State Pool. All high school players born in the three oldest age groups are extended an invitation to attend an open evaluation period for consideration to the State Pool. The open evaluation period occurs on the first two training dates of Phase 2, which begins following the completion of the Indiana High School soccer season. Participating players train in the State Pool session for their respective age group and are evaluated with and against the current State Pool players in each age group. If a player is invited to join the State Pool following the evaluation period, the cost (\$50.00) of the Open Invitation will be deducted from the State Pool Fee for Phase 2.

Junior Olympians: An Introduction to the Olympic Development Program

This program is designed to be an introduction for U10 and U11 players (2006, 2007, 2008) into the ODP System and training environment that they will encounter in future years. Junior Olympians was conducted in the North, Central, and South regions of the state in the late fall and early spring. There were three come together events scheduled this past year. The Junior Olympian program is purely a developmental program with the opportunity to train and play with the best players in one's age group as well as receive quality instruction from Nationally Licensed Coaches. Since this program is an introduction into the Olympic Development process, no State Team is formed and this group will not travel to Regional Camp. Players who participated in this program could be invited to become the beginning State Pool in 2017-2017. Cost per session to participate in an Junior Olympian Program training session was \$20.00 but we also offered a full unlimited fall or spring program for \$125.

Indiana Olympic Development Program Activity Summary August 2016 – July 2017

Phase 1: State Pool Players

Dates: Aug. 27- October 18 2016

The 2015-2016 Indiana Olympic Development Program Calendar began on Aug. 25th with the first session of Phase 1. Phase 1 was for non-high school age players and included the following age groups: 2005, 2004, 2003, 2002, and 2001 players not in high school. Phase 1 consisted of 4 training dates (2 sessions each date) at a player cost of \$125.00.

Evaluation Program and Tryouts

Dates: Aug. 27 – January 7 2016

This program was designed to be more of a developmental program than simply a selection process. The Evaluation Program consists of 4 training dates running concurrently with Phase 1 State Pool Training. Players were identified and invited to the State Pool throughout this program. Players trained separately and at times, scrimmaged players from the current State Pool. There was also the option to participate in a one day tryout verses participating in the full program.

Junior Olympians Program

Dates: Fall 2016 and Spring 2017

The Junior Olympians program hosted training sites across the state during the fall, spring and including three events for them throughout the year. In 2016-2017 the Junior Olympians program was led by Tony Hriczo. He was assisted by other talented coaches across the state of Indiana. The Junior Olympians program conducted sessions in the following locations: Avon, Columbus, Crown Point, Elkhart, Evansville, Ft. Wayne, Grand Park, South Bend, West Lafayette, South Indianapolis, Terre Haute, and Zionsville.

Phase 2: State Pool Players

Dates: Oct. 18, 2016 – February 7, 2017

Phase 2 introduced the high school age players and included the following age groups: 2005, 2004, 2003, 2002 2001, and 2000s. Phase 2 consisted of 8 training dates (2 session each date) both outdoor and indoor at a player cost of \$675.00. Phase 2 also included any special event including tournaments, showcases, and friendlies of both genders.

Phase 3: State Team Pool Players

Dates: Feb. 21 – June 11, 2017

Beginning with Phase 3, each age group, except the 2005's, was reduced to 25-30 (single team age groups) and 50-60 (double team age groups) players after the final training session in Phase 2. All players invited to continue as part of Phase 3 were either named to the State Team to attend Regional Camp or as an alternate.

ODP Regional Challenge Cup Tournament **Dates: June 29-July 1, 2017**

During the summer of 2017, Indiana ODP hosted Kentucky, Wisconsin and Illinois with age groups including the 2000's, 2001's, 2002's, 2003's, and 2004's.

2005 Developmental Camp

Dates: July 8-11, 2017

The 2005 age group participated in the Developmental Camp put together with Illinois and Wisconsin held on the campus of Northern Illinois University in DeKalb, IL.

Following the Region II ID camps in July, Indiana Olympic Development Program placed the following young men and women on Region II Pools:

Boys Region II Pools

2000: Kendall Allen (Indianapolis; USAi), Cole Behringer (Indianapolis; Dynamo FC), Austin Hughes (New Albany; Southern Indiana United), Dylan Sing (Barrien Center, MI; Kingdom MRL) Kevin Valdez (Indianapolis; Dynamo FC)

2001: Bryant Echeverria (Niles, MI; Jr. Irish), Christian Thang (Indianapolis)

2002: Kirezi Freddy (Indianapolis; Dynamo FC), Alan Johnson (Indianapolis; Millennium Soccer Indy), Kainoa Moore (Pendleton; Sporting Indiana), Ecris Revolorio (Washington; Indiana Fire Juniors)

2003: Collin Crandal (Fort Wayne; Ft. Wayne Sports Club), Hayden Eaton (Crown Point; Indiana Elite FC), Josemir Gomez (Indianapolis; Millennium Soccer Indy), Cole Little (Indianapolis; Millennium Soccer Indy), Max Robbins (Indianapolis; FC Pride), Michael Tibbitts (Stevensville, MI; Kalamazoo Kingdom), Ednilson Voiles (Plainfield; Westside United), Ty Walker (Crown Point; Indiana Elite FC), Seth Walters (Saint Joseph, MI; Kalamazoo Kingdom)

2004: Hugo Herndon (Indianapolis), Ian Knight (Franklin; Alliance FC - SCSA)

Girls Region II Pools

2000: Emma Shoemaker (Fort Wayne; Fort Wayne United), Adele Stradling (Carmel; Zionsville Youth Soccer), Andrea Wright (Plainfield; Zionsville Youth Soccer)

2001: Kelsi Carrico (Mishawaka; Indiana Fire Juniors), Amber Hochgesang (Avon; Westside United) Grace Saccone (Bloomington; Michigan Hawks), Delany Taylor (Columbia City; Fort Wayne United)

2002: Brooke Bailey (Carmel; Carmel FC), Brenna Buhrt (Warsaw; Ft. Wayne United) Rachel Hill (Guilford; Total Futbol Academy), Katelyn Jansen (Greenwood; Alliance FC - SCSA) Kayla Leady (Granger; Michiana Echo), Jayla Rosen (Lafayette; Boilers FC),

Brianna Straus (Fishers; Indy Premier)

2003: Maggie Bischoff (Noblesville; FC Pride), Anna Borkowski (South Bend; Jr. Irish)

Alexis Carmack (Avon; Westside United), Tori Goeglein (Noblesville; Sporting FC)

Morgan Laskowski (Edwardsburg, MI; Michiana Echo), Sarah Mullins (Fort Wayne; Ft. Wayne United)

Ava Panza (Fort Wayne; Ft. Wayne Sports Club), Adrienne Weyers (Granger; Michiana Echo)

2004: Brianna Buels (Indianapolis; USAi), Ashlyn Hoover (Battle Ground; Boilers FC),

Olivia Kalil (Elkhart; Elkhart Flames), Sammie King (Indianapolis; FC Pride),

Corissa Koontz (Warsaw; Fort Wayne United), Ella Scott (Niles, MI; Eclipse Select)

Indiana Players – Region II Events

The following players from Indiana participated in the following Region II events:

Boys 2003 & 2004 Thanksgiving Interregional: Casa Grande, AZ (November 23-27, 2017)

2003 Roster: Josemir Gomez (Indianapolis; Millennium Indy)

Ed Voiles (Plainfield; Westside United)

Boys 2000, 2001 & 2002 Florida Interregional: Bradenton, FL (November 30-December 3, 2017)

2000 Roster: Dylan Sing (Berrien Center, MI; Kingdom Soccer Club)

2002 Roster: Kirezi Freddy (Indianapolis; Millennium Indy)

Alan Johnson (Indianapolis; Millennium Indy)

Girls 2000, 2001, & 2002, 2003, 2004 Thanksgiving Interregional: Boca Raton, FL (November 17-23)

2003 Roster: Anna Borkowski (South Bend; Jr. Irish)

Girls 2003 & 2004 Interregional National Training Camp: Phoenix, AZ (January 25-30, 2018)

2003 Roster: Anna Borkowski (South Bend; Jr. Irish)

2004 Roster: Brianna Buels (Indianapolis; FC Pride)

Overall this past year was a very exciting year for the Indiana Olympic Development Program in regards to growth of player and coach development. We continue to strive to make Indiana ODP the best program in the country. We hosted our first ever Regional event and even though weather caused some havoc it still went well. As the Indiana Olympic Development Program moves forward in the future we will re-evaluate the program following the July Regional Camps.