

2019 Education Department Report – Steve Franklin, Director of Coaching Education

Coaching Education:

- 223 Candidates earned their 11v11 license in 2019
- 155 Candidates earned their 9v9 license in 2019
- 189 Candidates earned their 7v7 license in 2019
- 99 Candidates earned their on-line 4v4 license in 2019
- 89 Candidates attended the D License Course.
- The Director of Education traveled throughout the state and giving over two dozen free player clinics 2019.
- Updated lesson plans and Full Season Plans for the U6, U8, U1-, U12 and U13+ coach were developed and placed on Indiana Soccer's website.
- Indiana Soccer, in collaboration with Meulensteen North America, hosted the United States Technical Championship Midwest Sub-Regional event at IUPUI's Carroll Stadium with 140+ ODP players participating.
- Indiana Soccer hosted the 2019 USTC National Championships at Grand Park in December, with 143 players competing.
- Attended the Region II Coaching Symposium in Kansas City, MO.

Community Soccer

Community Outreach Programming completed its seventh season. High School and College programs participated. There were two options to participate. The first option is called the "On Site" version in which the host high school/colleges go to a game and also participate in a youth clinic. The second option is called the "Home" version. In this version, the players can still attend college matches for free but they do the "skills" portion of the Community Stars Program at home. There is a section on Indiana Soccer's website that guides the children through the "home" skills program. A section devoted to Community Soccer was developed and placed Indiana Soccer's website.

- "HD" Project-This project is based on John Wooden's pyramid of success. The project consists of activities for coaches with a life skill portion attached. Indiana Soccer piloted this program with many community and recreational age groups. The response was very favorable.
- A "How to host a community soccer day" template was developed and placed on the Indiana Soccer's Community Soccer section of the website.

- The Director of Coaching Education organized and conducted two free youth soccer clinic for 350 participants celebrating “USYSA National Soccer Month” during the September at Indy Eleven Soccer match against Tampa Bay.
- The Fourth Annual “Make Your Own Ball” Day went state wide, as more than 5 dozen clubs took part during the month of September – with over 1,000 participating at the Evansville-Butler Men’s soccer match at the Butler Bowl.
- USYSA added it to their National Youth Soccer Month programming.

Additional

- Indiana DOC was named to the Midwest Regional Championships Committee.
- Served as the ambassador for College Coaches in Attendance at the 2019 Region II Championships and Presidents Cup Finals. Coordinated food, logistics and recruiting materials for over 380+ college Coaches.
- State Director served as a National staff Instructor for the US Soccer National C License course in Charlotte, NC; a National C license in Indianapolis, IN; Kansas City, MO and a National C in Raleigh, NC.
- Webinars/Webcasts/Website
 - Community Soccer webinars
 - Hosted a Meulensteen “community” festival in-May 2018 at SCSA. Along with SCSA, Columbus Express, Bloomington, Westfield and St. Francis.
 - Coach Mentor Program
 - A new program designed to assist current coaches on the finer points of their coaching within the practice/game.

Future

- The continuation of the Virtual Director of Coaching Program was offered in January 2017. It was designed to assist clubs who do not have a full or part time DOC or Technical Director.
- College Soccer webinar
 1. The webinar will be designed to assist PSA’s (prospective student-athletes) and parents in the process of recruitment to play college soccer at all competitive levels.
- Education On-Line Library
 1. Establishment of an on-line library resource center for Indiana Soccer youth coaches. Training programs; favorite practices; systems of play; fitness guidelines; etc. will be categorized for assisting members in coaching needs.
- Webinars will be provided for the Youth Module 2, as well as a Parent Education component.