

2020-21 Indiana Olympic Development Program – Todd Sheely, Director

Program Philosophy, Components and Activity Summary

One 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. However, **development** should and will be at the forefront of the Indiana Olympic Development Program. Players want to be challenged in competitive, positive, developmental environments against players of equal or better proficiency. 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 their willingness to engage in the real-time solving of problems presented during the game; to provide opportunities for the continual growth and advancement of the player through challenging, creative, and positive training and playing environments.

The Indiana Olympic Development Program's 10-month journey of identifying, evaluating, and training players begins in September, and culminates for some in June when 16 age-groups (8 boys and 8 girls) travel to an Inter-State event. The annual program concludes in July for those that are invited to attend the Midwest Region ID camp. Players can be selected from the Midwest Region ID camp as Regional Pool players and are eligible to attend Region/national events throughout the year. Below are a few of the statements that guide Indiana Soccer's ODP program:

- 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 various 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 (Spring/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 the ODP 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 Inter-State Midwest Region Event.

It was great to have the return of the Midwest Subregional and the Midwest ID Camp. The February Memphis event was cancelled because of weather.

The Olympic Development Program calendar also includes other distinctive 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 is about the opportunity for the State Pool/Team to play against outside competition throughout the year. In 2018-19 Indiana ODP participated in the following events:

- January 3 and 4, 2021- 2004-2009 boys and girls participated in Friendlies vs. Kentucky at Grand Park
- ~~February 16-18, 2021, 2004-09 boys and girls participated in an Inter-Regional event in Memphis, TN. Cancelled~~
- Midwest Sub Regional hosted by Indiana June 18-20, 2004-09 boys and girls.

Evaluation/Tryout

The Evaluation/ Tryout Program was established to provide identification opportunities for players to be selected for the State Pool in their respective age group. Tryouts for non-high school age players were conducted in September and October. Phase 2 provides all high school players born in the three oldest age groups, an opportunity to attend a tryout for consideration to the State Pool. The tryout period occurs through Phase 2, which begins following the completion of their 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. In addition to the tryout option, DOCs could recommend players and coaches were also scouting players at events.

Junior Olympians: An Introduction to the Olympic Development Program

This program is designed to be an introduction for U10 and U11 players (20011, 2012, 2013) into the ODP System and training environment that they will encounter in future years. 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 2021-22.

District Training: Taking ODP on The Road

Indiana Soccer and Indiana Development Program (IDP) are pleased to report on the return of District Training. District Training is for players that do not play high school soccer and that are of the following

birth years: 2006, 2007, 2008, and 2009. For the Fall of 2020, the following sites were identified as areas where IDP will have sessions: Evansville, Jeffersonville, Merrillville, Elkhart, Fort Wayne, Zionsville, Granger, and Terre Haute. Some, but not all locations offered one session per month in August, September and October and each session was scheduled for an hour and fifteen minutes. These sessions provide an opportunity for players to give IDP a try, without the travel demands associated with traveling to Grand Park. Players who are a part of the Indiana State Pool will still have training at Grand Park as has been the practice for the last few years. District Training is \$20/session.

Added Areas

- One thing that was added this year to ODP was Rezzil. This is a Virtual Reality session that helps players see how they score in certain areas. We will look to grow this more in 2021/22.
- Used VEO cameras to record games and sessions to add to our ODP YouTube Channel.
- Offered a free small, sided referee course for ODP players.

Indiana Olympic Development Program

Activity Summary

September 2020 – July 2021

Phase 1: State Pool Players Dates: September 12, 2020- October 15, 2020

The 2020-21 Indiana Olympic Development Program Calendar began on September 12 with the first session of Phase 1. Phase 1 was for non-high school age players and included the following age groups: 2008, 2007, 2006, and 2005 players not in high school. Phase 1 consisted of 3 training dates with each one costing \$40.

Evaluation Program and Tryouts Dates: September 12, 2020 – January 6, 2021

Approximately 250 players came through the Evaluation Program this year. Additionally, club DOC's recommend players and then those players were put into the State Pool. Players who were trying out were given a red tee shirt and then trained within their specific age group. Players were notified the evening of their tryout if they were invited into the State Pool or if it was recommended, they come back for another evaluation.

District Training Dates: July 2020- September 2020

Indiana ODP had over 300 players take part in a District Training event. The feedback we received was positive. Some clubs did very well promoting and encouraging their players to attend.

Junior Olympians Program Dates: Winter 2020/21

During the Winter of 2020/21 Indiana OPD offered six different Junior Olympian dates. Each session costs \$20. The quality of the participating young players is exceptional. The club coaches are providing excellent training as the tactical awareness of these young players is superb.

Phase 2: State Pool Players Dates: Oct. 24, 2020– February 13, 2021

Phase 2 introduced the high school age players and included the following age groups: 2008, 2007, 2006, 2005, 2004 and 2003. Phase 2 consisted of 7 training dates (2 session each date). The trainings included both outdoor and indoor trainings along with an indoor friendlies event at a player cost of \$540.00. Phase 2 also included special events including tournaments, showcases, and friendlies for both genders.

Phase 3: State Team Dates: March 2020-June 2020

Clubs and Player Recognition for 2021

Memphis Event was Cancelled

The 60 clubs below had at least one player represent Indiana ODP on the 2020/21 State Teams. Indiana ODP wants to thank the clubs and coaches for their contribution to the development of soccer and the individual players.

Alliance FC	ECU	Indy Phoenix FC	SIU
Batesville FC	Elkhart Flames	IPSC	Speedway
Boilers FC	Evolution TFC	Jeffersonville Spirit	Sporting Southern IN
Carmel FC	FC Evansville	Jr. Irish	St. Francis
Chicago Fire South Jrs.	FC Pride	Kingdom (MI)	Tempest FC
Cincinnati West United	Ft. Wayne Sports Club	Kings Hammer	Terre Haute Premier
Circle City FC	Ft. Wayne United	Magic SC	TFA
Columbus Express	Hobart	MC United	Tri-West
Cutters	Hoosier FC	Mercury	United Elite FC
CWSA (Cincy)	IFJ	Michiana Echo	USAi
Delaware County	IFJ South	SCSA	Warsaw Wave
Deportivo FC (IL)	Illinois FC	Midwest Kingdom FC	Westside United
Dynamo FC	Impact FC	Plainfield	ZYSA
Eclipse Select	IN SW FC	Plymouth United	Indiana Invaders
Indiana Elite FC	NWI Lions	Rangers	Millennium

The 27 clubs below had at least one player invited to represent Indiana ODP at the Midwest ID Camp. These players were chosen through various state, regional and/or national events. This camp brings together some of the region's best players. Indiana ODP wants to thank the clubs for their contribution to the development of soccer and the individual players.

Alliance FC	FC Pride	Indy Phoenix FC	Tempest FC
Carmel FC	FW United	IPSC	Tri West
Columbus Express	Hoosier FC	Jr. Irish	United Elite FC
Cutters	IFJ	Kingdom FC (MI)	Warsaw Wave
Deportivo FC (IL)	IFJ South	Millennium	Westside United
ECU	Indiana Elite FC	NWI Lions	ZYSA
Elkhart Flames	Indiana Invaders	SCSA	

Congratulations to the following players who received an invitation to the Midwest ID Camp:

Boys

Jake	Alb	Cooper	Flanary	Connor	Mangan
Samuel	Barnard	Christopher	Gabriel	Alec	McKinney
Sawyer	Beachy	Vasili	Galiotos	Miles	Melick
Nick	Beam	Jared	Garcia	Edgar	Mora Gonzalez
Noah	Bernot	Giovanni	Granda	Alexis	Moro
Tom	Berry	Arron	Habecker	Logan	Neidlinger
Cristiano	Bonilla	Bodie	Hash	Simon	Ngo
Ethan	Brandenburger	Liam	Horan	Gavin	Poehler
Arion	Branham	Evan	Hudak	Liam	Reyes-Licona
Jaden	Branigan	Nikola	Ivetic	Landon	Ryner
Gage	Bromley	Antonio	Juarez	Daniel	Serianni
Carson	Brown	George	Karabatsos	Keaton	Siesky
Holden	Campbell	Michael	Kubek	Ethan	Simmons
Liam	Deel	Colin	Kuhl	Gavin	Stagg
Joseph	DeGiorgio	Ian	Lam	Kendall	Starks
Luke	Delion	Camden	Lance	Anthony	Torres

Dawson	Droste	William	Latham	Antonio (Jose)	Vega
Jacob	Farrell	Joseph	Luther	Damyan	Villanueva

Girls

Audrey	Abel	Abigail	Fouts	Lola	Pepper
Adelynn	Avey	Olivia	Gardner	Emily	Peters
Taylor	Baier	Raegan	Hahaj	Sydney	Robinson
Rory	Barnard	Ashlyn	Hoover	Sarah	Roeder
Anderson	Broshears	Olivia	Hopper	Syd	Rotert
Olivia	Connelly	Charlotte	Hunter	Madeline	Roudebush
Natalie	Countryman	Olivia	Kalil	Kasidy	Schenk
Karina	Cremeens	Mackenzie	Kruer	Ryleigh	Scheumann
Bella	Cueto	Mia	Kubek	Tewabech	Seerup
Riley	Cunningham	Taylor	Martin	Madeleine	Sorg
Allison	Curlee	Addison	McClain	Hailey	Wade
Sophia	Dawson	Margaret	McCoy	Alexis	Watkins
Ariyana	Edwards	Karly	Miller	Grace	Weaver
Chloe	Finney	Eleanor	Nace	Katherine	Weber
Elle	Fisher	Maddie	Ott	Taylor	Wert
Elsie	Flanders	Quinn	Pankiewicz	Daphne	Wright

Congratulations to the following players who were recently named to the 2021 ODP Midwest Region Pool. These players are now able to make a Region Team and compete in the ODP InterRegional Event in November in Florida.

Midwest Boys Pool			Midwest Girls Pool		
Last Name	First Name	Club	Last Name	First Name	Club
Stagg	Gavin	Indiana Elite	Cremeens	Karina	Alliance FC
Garcia	Jared	Raiders	Schenk	Kasidy	IFJ
Latham	William	Carmel FC	Hopper	Olivia	Tempest FC
Mora	Edgar	ECU	Ott	Madison	IFJ
Moro	Alexis	ECU	Peters	Emily	Kingdom (MI)
Branigan	Jaden	Indy Phoenix FC	Watkins	Alexis	IFJ
Ryner	Landon	Alliance FC	Kruer	Mackenzie	Alliance FC
Gabriel	Christopher	Hoosier FC	Scheumann	Ryleigh	IFJ
Habecker	Arron	ZYSA	Wright	Daphne	IFJ
Reyes-Licona	Liam	ECU	Cunningham	Riley	IFJ
Simmons	Ethan	Hoosier FC	Fischer	Elle	IPSC

Farrell	Jacob	FW United	Cueto	Isabella	Carmel FC
Hudak	Evan	Indiana Elite	Hahaj	Raegan	IPSC
Karabatsos	George	Indiana Elite	McCoy	Margaret	Carmel FC
Ngo	Simon	ZYSA	Roeder	Sarah	IPSC
Starks	Kendall	Indiana Elite			
Brandenberger	Ethan	IPSC			
Bromley	Gage	IPSC			
Horan	Liam	Hoosier FC			
Juarez	Antonio	Elkhart Flames			
Lance	Camden	IPSC			
Melick	Miles	Cutters			