



Program Outline

U12 Jr Phoenix Outdoor 2021

FOR WHO?

U12 male and female born 2009

ABOUT

An age and stage-related program in which our Performance Player Pathway begins, with a focus on the development of young players and coaches. With a player-centred approach, we are better able to address the needs of young players with greater efficiency and effectiveness. We provide a Long-Term Player Development (LTPD) inspired program that will include a holistic curriculum overseen and delivered by our qualified technical leads. Phoenix training is led by our technical leads, technical staff, and licensed coaches all of whom help to advance the level of the players and help drive forward the standards of both the club and the game.

By providing a safe environment, players will have the opportunity to develop program-specific core principles that fit within the Phoenix identity both on and off the field.

PROGRAM ENTRY

All players interested in playing with the Junior Phoenix program will participate in an assessment process. The Assessment process encompasses sessions allowing players to showcase their ability and passion through small-sided games. Additionally, in-season assessments as well as in season coach's reports will be key criteria in the placement process. Those players not asked to commit to the program after the assessment process are placed in the SPDSA community program.

TEAM FORMATION PHILSOPHY

At this age, the SPDSA Technical Staff will be looking at creating two balanced teams in each gender with a minimum of 12 players per team. From time to time the number of teams and players may be altered based on circumstances that are out of the SPDSA's control. Examples would be, but not limited to the following:



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TEAM FORMATION CONTD

- Not enough players to create 2 teams based on registrations and/or players at the appropriate level
- The disparity of current ability between players at assessments is too significant to create 2 balanced teams, which would allow the SPDSA to place players in an environment that will allow them to succeed.
- Play in a league that is 11v11

If either of the above is observed the technical staff may alter team formation to one of the following:

- Create one team
- Create two teams, where players of similar current ability are placed together. The teams will be placed in a league that the technical staff determines would be appropriate for the development of the players.
- Create two teams and one developmental team. The teams will be placed in a league that the technical staff determines would be appropriate for the development of the players.

THE SEASON

Throughout the season players and coaches commit to training and playing three times a week. Two sessions are led by the SPDSA technical staff involving team coaches. The Technical Leads will also be involved with 2/3 of the seasons league games with continued support from our volunteer coaches. Playing days will be determined as per EISYA or EMSA.

Technical practices will be 80 -90 minutes in duration including a SAQ component. For the U12 age groups, the SAQ will focus on developing psychical literacy skills. SAQ training will be the first 20 minutes of the technical sessions to imbed this into our program and allow our players opportunities for the other activities or sports.



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GAMES & TOURNAMENT PLAY

All teams will be placed in appropriate league play. All players will play based upon equal play principles throughout the season and be exposed to multiple positions. Our philosophy is to provide players with the best opportunity to develop with age and stage-appropriate competition that enhances game understanding and passion for play with the focus on individual player development. Coaches are supported by the Technical Department and are provided ongoing coaching development opportunities.

Days of Play - To be determined by competition organization

Games Format 8 v 8 (7 v 7 plus goalkeepers) or 11v11. Rules to be determined by competition organization.

COACHING

Qualified Technical Leads are appointed to deliver, manage, and lead the program assisted and supported by volunteer coaches. A full seasonal plan and curriculum guides all coaches through the program supported by the SPDSA Technical staff. The best qualities of a coach for this stage of player are:

- Enthusiastic and encouraging
- Looks and acts the part
- Has standards
- Knows the subject and the players
- Demonstrates
- Stimulates ideas and makes them fun

Coaching scenario subject to adjustment



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REGISTRATION AND FEES

Note: *FEES DO NOT INCLUDE LEAGUE FEES. There will be an additional fee charged to each team for the league fees, which are determined by each league. These fees can be paid via team fundraising.

The SPDSA has extended payment dates for our Phoenix programs. When you register for the package that includes the \$20.00 tryout fee, the payments will be as follows:

Fee \$500.00 (includes Tryout Fee)

Due upon Registration \$ 250.00

1st Payment \$125.00 Due April 30th, 2021

2nd Payment \$125.00 Due May 14th, 2021

When you register for the package for the Tryout ONLY, the payments will be as follows:

Fee \$520.00 (includes Tryout Fee)

Due upon Registration \$ 20.00

1st Payment \$166.66 Due April 30th, 2021

2nd Payment \$166.66 Due May 7th, 2021

3rd Payment \$166.68 Due May 14th, 2021

The deadline to register is March 25th, 2021

Jerseys are provided with a deposit. Players are required to provide their own shin pads and soccer shoes. Each player will be required to have a pair of Phoenix shorts and two pairs of socks, that can be purchased at Sluggo's Free Kick

PLEASE NOTE ONLINE REGISTRATION ONLY - YOU MUST REGISTER ONLINE PRIOR TO ASSESSMENTS.

WALK-UP REGISTRATIONS ARE NOT ACCEPTED.