FOR WHO?

U9 male and female born 2012
U10 male and female players born 2011

ABOUT

Junior Phoenix is an age and stage related program, 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 by striving to develop greater physical literacy, technical ability, and enhance the love for the game. We provide a Long-Term Player Development (LTPD) inspired program that will include a holistic curriculum overseen and delivered by our qualified staff and 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 with 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, inseason 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 (2 - U9 teams in each gender and 2 - U10 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 not having enough players to create 2 teams based on registrations and/or players at the appropriate level.

Program Outline U9/U10 Jr Phoenix Outdoor 2021

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*

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 minutes in duration including an SAQ component. For the U9 and U10 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.

GAMES & TOURNANMENT 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 7 v 7 (6 v 6 plus goalkeepers). Rules to be determined by competition organization.

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.