Programs Report
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Coaching Education & ODP
US Soccer Education updates...

D-Course...
• Re-launching in Q2
• ONE D course curriculum with modified formats between Traditional and Blended
• Some flexibility in blended formats to support the curriculum (virtual and in-person time)
• Changes to the Field Components: No Youth Players and flexibility of weekend schedules

C-Course...
• Georgia Soccer has been awarded to host 1st C-course in a few years
• Candidate applications will start to be accepted in March; limited to 36 with preference provided in this order:
  1. Candidates from 2020 cancelled slots
  2. Georgia based coaches
• Instructors will be assigned by USSF
• Curriculum updates and instructor assignments expected in March
Return-To-Educate...

Next steps for 2021 and beyond...

• Grass Roots curriculum updates
• Instructor Certification Courses and expansion of number of instructors
• Delivery of a return-to-educate plan under the core principles of US Soccer’s Coach Education pillars:
  1. Health + Safety
  2. Continuity
  3. Flexibility
• Club interest for course hosting – please provide requests for planning to director@georgiasoccer.org
ODP – Reinvented...

October 2020...

• Pushing the “reset” button!
• Clearly articulate the role and purpose of the ODP pathway
  1. ...identify national team players at the youth level
  2. ...provide supplemental and unique developmental experiences
• As “Georgia Soccer” – expand the reach across our entire state
• Increase the value of the program
• Be inclusive and available to every player playing in every league
2020-21 ODP Cycle Year...

A TEAM EFFORT

• ODP Coaching Staff
• Innovative new tryout process – scouting@georgiasoccer.org
• Training sites / field locations flexibility

The ODP pool

• 2004 to 2009 boys and girls with an inaugural 2010 Pre-ODP
• Nearly 1,200 players scouted, evaluated, registered and tried out over 67 different sessions to spread out numbers
• Over 600 players selected
• Representing 52 clubs
Regional Identification Centers

- RIC Central (Warner Robbins)
- RIC South (Tifton)
- RIC Southeast (Richmond Hill / Savannah)

198 boys and girls (born 2006-2010) were discovered selected and identified

RIC Festival 2021; 46 players invited to join state ODP sessions for opportunity to be selected for the pool

RIC 2021-22 plans include expansion plans: Northeast and Northwest
2020-21 ODP Cycle Year...

Calendar of Events...

• 15-17 training sessions, events and flexibility around club commitments

• Already played against Tennessee, South Carolina, Kentucky, Louisiana

• Upcoming competition against Florida, North Texas, South Texas, North Carolina, South Carolina and Atlanta United academy.

Looking ahead, there are plans to host:

• Region Camp & Sub-Regionals

• Utilization of technology

• Emerging brand partnerships
THANK YOU

...we are just getting started with more good things to come!

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