



ODP Selected Players have until 10/1 to Register

I. 2025-26 ODP Season Structure:

We organize training into **blocks** that create focused, developmentally appropriate phases aligned with the broader youth soccer calendar. Each block is designed to provide purposeful training in a high-intensity environment.

- **Fall Block** – 4-week training block
Tentative Dates: Nov. 2, Nov. 16, Nov. 23, Dec. 7 (Girls Only), Dec. 14 (Boys Only)
- **Winter Training** – Jan-March (1 session per month; dates TBA)
- **Spring Block** – 4-week training block
Tentative Dates: May 3, May 10, May 17, May 31

II. Event Schedule:

- **January 2-5, 2026** – Far West Championships | Mesa, AZ
- **Winter NJ Friendlies** – TBA
- **February 14, 2026** – Boys ONLY | MD Friendlies, Liberty Sports Park
- **February 15, 2026** – Girls ONLY | MD Friendlies, Liberty Sports Park
- **June 5-7, 2026** – East Regional Tournament
 - Boys: Lancaster, PA
 - Girls: Tuckahoe Turf Farm, NJ

III. Training and Friendly Attendance Expectations:

Participation in ODP is both a privilege and a commitment. By accepting your place, you agree to be an active and reliable teammate. Consistent attendance is essential for development, for the effectiveness of your coaches, and out of fairness to your fellow players. We recognize that **club games take priority** over ODP activities. However, ODP events should take precedence over non-soccer and non-game-related conflicts. This program offers a unique opportunity to train and compete in a highly competitive environment that can only be fully realized through regular attendance and commitment.

IV. Team Communication:

ODP uses **Praxis Sports** as its official team communication app.

- After your roster spot is confirmed by paying the \$200 deposit, you will receive instructions and a code to set up the app.
- Parents and players are expected to use Praxis to confirm attendance, ask questions, and receive updates. The majority of communication from the ODP Coordinator will be delivered through Praxis.
- **Praxis and email are the preferred methods of communication.** Texting or calling coaches or the ODP Coordinator is discouraged, except in cases of emergency. Using Praxis ensures that all communication is clear, consistent, and organized for players, parents, and staff.

V. Training Locations:

U15-U17 ODP training will be held at either USTC (Downingtown, PA) or The Proving Grounds (Conshohocken, PA) depending on facility availability.

VI. ODP Pathway:

ODP provides players a unique opportunity to showcase their talent in front of scouts for Regional and National ODP Teams.

Pathway: Eastern Pennsylvania State ODP Team → East Regional Camp → ODP Interregional Team → ODP National Team

In 2024-25, 120 EPA players were invited to East Regional Camp and 20 were selected for the ODP East Interregional Team.

VII. Program Cost: \$950

The fee includes:

- 12 training sessions
- Entry fees for 4 tournaments/events (*travel costs not included*)
- Nike uniform and training package (Nike kit, training tee, bag, quarter zip, and pants)

Payment Details:

- Payments are processed through **GotSport**
- \$200 deposit due by 10/1 to confirm your spot
- You may select to Pay in Full, or the 3-Installment, or 5-Installment plan
- [GOTSPORT REGISTRATION LINK](#)

VIII. 2025-2026 ODP U15-U17 Coaching Staffs:

U15 (2011) Boys - Thomas Dodds, Julian Digruttola, and Steve Corrieri

U16 (2010) Boys - Rick Tompkins and Rob Hurley

U17 (2009) Boys - Adam Bastidas and Zach Orenstein

U15 (2011) Girls - Tom Haney and Kevin Rooney

U16 (2010) Girls - John Mickel and Kent Buhl

U17 (2009) Girls - Takiyah Thomas

IX. Unique Program Features (2025-26)

- **Pathway Day (April):** Team training combined with a college pathway event, featuring local NCAA and NJCAA coaches leading sessions and speaking with players about competing at the next level.
- **International Trips (March 29-April 6, 2026):** Organized in partnership with **WorldStrides Sports**.
 - U15 Boys & Girls – Barcelona
 - U16 & U17 Boys & Girls – Amsterdam

Learn more about our past international trips [here](#).

We are excited for the season ahead and look forward to supporting each player's growth and development through Eastern Pennsylvania Youth Soccer ODP.

Sincerely,
Eastern Pennsylvania Youth Soccer – ODP Staff

Questions or Inquiries please contact akdepaolo@epysa.org

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