



Eastern Pennsylvania ODP 2026-2027 Season Guide

Our Mission:

The Eastern Pennsylvania Olympic Development Program (ODP) is committed to identifying, developing, and inspiring the region's top youth soccer players. Through high-level training, friendly and competitive matches, and a player-centered environment, ODP provides athletes with opportunities to challenge themselves while preparing for the next level of their soccer journey.

- Individual player development
- Competitive training environments
- Exposure to regional and national opportunities
- Supporting players within their club environments

The ODP Pathway:

****Eastern Pennsylvania ODP Tryouts > Eastern Pennsylvania State Pool Selection > **Eastern Pennsylvania ODP Pathways Days and East Region Tournament > **East Region ID Camp (Invite Only!) > ODP Interregional Team (Invite Only!) > ODP National Opportunities (Invite Only!)**

***Signifies an evaluation/scouted event*

Eastern Pennsylvania ODP Pathway Days:

- Event hosted multiple times a season for our 2015-2013 age groups that invites all players per age group to one location for training within full State Pool environment (ex: combine region N, S, E, W 2015B for training)
- State Coaches and Region Coaches will lead sessions.

East Region Tournament:

- Final Event of the season (June) that is scouted by East Region Staff for East Region Camp selection. Players invited to camp have the opportunity to be selected for USYS ODP Interregional Team

Player Selection Process:

- After ODP Tryouts there will be a 2-week window for our staff to communicate and complete their selections. You will receive an email via GotSport to the email used in PLAYER REGISTRATION be sure to check all accounts spam
- If an alternative or Call-Back is scheduled for a specific group (or select group of players) they will be notified in that two week window. Currently the tentative Call-Back date is 9/13 from 4-6PM

Talent Identification:

Eastern Pennsylvania ODP is committed to aligning with United States Soccer Federation to support player identification.

U.S. Soccer Talent Scout within our staff communicates directly with ODP coaches throughout the season to assist in the identification process within the U.S. Soccer Talent Identification network.

While selection into U.S. Soccer Talent-ID network is not guaranteed and invite-only, ODP provides a platform for players to be identified.

U.S. Soccer Talent Identification only applies to boys and girls ages 13-15.

What to Expect from ODP:

Throughout the season players can expect:

- High-level coaching by USSF qualified staff
- Technical and tactical training environment
- Friendly and Competitive competitions/events
- Exposure and scouted opportunities
- Challenging but positive environment to develop and build confidence

Player & Parent Expectations

Players are expected to:

- Attend all training sessions (we understand conflicts will come up, please communicate attendance changes on app)
- Arrive on-time and prepared
- Wear appropriate ODP gear
- Bring a properly inflated soccer ball and water to all practices
- Demonstrate effort, coachability, and respect
- Continue representing both club and ODP professionally

Parents are expected to:

- Support punctual attendance
- Support the Mission of ODP and understand it is different than club
- Encourage player independence
- Respect coaches, referees, and opponents
- Allow players to enjoy the learning process
- Communicate appropriately regarding conflicts or absences

ODP International Trip:

Eastern Pennsylvania ODP partners with WorldStrides to provide an (add-on) international trip for players.

These experiences focus on:

- International competition
- Cultural learning
- Professional training environments

2027 ODP International Trip Locations:

2015 & 2014 Boys - Manchester, UK

2015 & 2014 Girls - London, UK

2013 & 2012 Boys and Girls - Barcelona, Spain

2011 & 2010 Boys and Girls - Milan/Turin, Italy

International Trip Dates: March 21-29

Uniforms

All uniforms will be “purchased” through Soccer Post Team Store

The required ODP package will include:

- Game Jersey, Game Shorts, Socks
- Training/Away Shirt
- Additional Gear will be available to purchase

Uniform Cost: Included with player registration fee

Communications

- The **primary** method of communication is through **Praxis Sports**.
- **Praxis is Required. It is where all scheduling and communication is**
- Email contact through GotSport is also occasionally happen, please check your players Registration Email and be sure it is one checked regularly

26/27 Tentative Schedule

Date	Event	Groups
October 25	Training **In the Net Location will begin on 11/1 not 10/25	All ODP Groups
November 8	Training	All ODP Groups
November 15	Training	All ODP Groups
November 22	Training (Pathway)*	All ODP Groups
December 5-6	NJ Friendlies	U12-U14
December 6	Training	U15-U17
January 10	Indoor Training	U12-U14
January 8-10	Far West Championships (AZ)	U15-U17
January 18	Indoor Training	All ODP Groups
January 23-24	Indoor Play Day	U12-U14
February 7	Indoor Training (Pathway)	All ODP Groups
February 13-14	MD Friendlies (Boys 13th / Girls 14th)	U15-U17
February 19-21	VA Friendlies (<i>Tentative</i>)	U12-U14
March 15	Training	All ODP Groups
April 25	Training (Pathway)	U12-U14
April 25	East New York Sub-Regional	U15-U17
May 2	Training	All ODP Groups
May 16	Training	All ODP Groups
May 23	Training	All ODP Groups
June 4-6	East Regional Tournament	All ODP Groups

Schedule is tentative and subject to change.

**Pathway trainings are for 2015 and 2014 players to have a full state pool training to focuses on player identification and internal evaluation*

ODP 2026-2027 Staff

U15-17 Coordinator	John Mickel
2010/09B	Zach Orenstein
2010/09G	Takiyah Thomas
	Angela Amano
	John Mickel
	Kent Bouhl
2011B	Rick Tompkins
	Rob Hurley
2012B EAST	Tom Dodds
	Juilan Digruttola
2012B CENTRAL	TBA
2012G	Kevin Rooney
	Tom Haney
U15-U17 GK	Kim Gehart
North Coordinator	Brad Evans
2013B North	Gearson Contraras
	Peter Morisco
2013G North	Mike Price
2014B North	Chris Bastidas
2015B North	Ozzy Rios
2014/2015G North	Don Cuomo
North U12G	Tranjano Bastidas
North GK Coach	Nick Ciliberti
South Coordinator	
2013B South	Sajy Mathew
	Gio DiSorra
2013G South	Kim Maurer
	Jeff Sommer

South GK Coach	Paul Ambrose
East Coordinator	Roben Qawasmy
2014B Southeast	Roben Qawasmy
	Ramzi Qawasmy
	Orane Gordon
2015B Southeast	Brian Coulter
	Justin Falcone
	Tom Clark
2014G Southeast	John Adair
	Adam Kanji
2015G Southeast	Corinne Vecchione
	Marc Schlesinger
	Dave Smeins
Southeast GK Coach	Melissa Fawcett
West Coordinator	Austin Siodlowski/Gavin Gray
2014B Central	Randy Lutz
	Lukas Wolfe
2015B Central	Chris Hartman
	Brett Maxwell
2015/2014G Central	Kenny Archer
	Scott Steffen
	Addison Keja
Central GK Coach	Juan Lopez