## JUNIOR COACH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

## GAIN EXPERIENCE, LEAD, INSPIRE



### **OKANAGAN UNITED JUNIOR COACH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM**

THE OKANAGAN UNITED JUNIOR COACH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM IS DESIGNED TO INSPIRE AND NURTURE ASPIRING YOUNG COACHES, AGED 14–18, WHO WANT TO DEVELOP THEIR COACHING SKILLS WHILE CONTRIBUTING TO THE GROWTH OF YOUTH PLAYERS IN OUR CLUB.

THIS PROGRAM OFFERS A STRUCTURED PATHWAY FOR JUNIOR COACHES TO GAIN PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE, COMPLETE COACHING CERTIFICATIONS, AND RECEIVE MENTORSHIP AS THEY BUILD A FOUNDATION FOR FUTURE COACHING CAREERS.





#### **PROGRAM OBJECTIVES**

#### **1. DEVELOP COACHING SKILLS**

• EQUIP JUNIOR COACHES WITH FUNDAMENTAL TECHNIQUES AND METHODS TO EFFECTIVELY LEAD SOCCER TRAINING SESSIONS.

#### 2. LEADERSHIP AND RESPONSIBILITY

• FOSTER LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT THROUGH PROGRESSIVE **RESPONSIBILITIES IN MANAGING GROUPS OF PLAYERS.** 

#### 3. MENTORSHIP AND LEARNING

• PAIR JUNIOR COACHES WITH EXPERIENCED MENTORS FOR GUIDANCE, FEEDBACK, AND SKILL DEVELOPMENT.

#### 4. PATHWAY TO COACHING CERTIFICATION

• PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES TO COMPLETE GRASSROOTS COACHING COURSES, INCLUDING ADVANCED CERTIFICATIONS OVER TIME.





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#### BENEFITS

#### **FOR JUNIOR COACHES:**

- GAIN VALUABLE EXPERIENCE WORKING WITH YOUTH PLAYERS.
- EARN VOLUNTEER OR PAID HOURS FOR GRADUATION.
- RECEIVE MENTORSHIP FROM SENIOR COACHES.
- BUILD A FOUNDATION FOR FUTURE COACHING OR EMPLOYMENT **OPPORTUNITIES.**
- DEVELOP LEADERSHIP AND COMMUNICATION SKILLS.

#### FOR OKANAGAN UNITED FC:

- CULTIVATE SKILLED, HOMEGROWN COACHES WITH CLUB EXPERIENCE.
- FOSTER A CULTURE OF LEARNING AND LEADERSHIP.
- STRENGTHEN YOUTH DEVELOPMENT FOR PLAYERS AND COACHES ALIKE.



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### **PROGRAM STREAMS**

#### **1. SKILL ACADEMY ASSISTANT COACH (VOLUNTEER)**

- WORK ALONGSIDE PROFESSIONAL COACHES.
- AVAILABLE SEPTEMBER-DECEMBER AND JANUARY-MARCH FOR U5-U12 AGE GROUPS.

#### 2. YOUTH TEAM ASSISTANT COACH (VOLUNTEER OR PAID)

- ASSIST CERTIFIED COACHES WITH U9 TEAMS FROM APRIL-JUNE.
- COURSES REQUIRED AS PER CSA AND BC SOCCER GUIDELINES.

#### 3. YOUTH TEAM HEAD COACH (PAID)

- LEAD GRASSROOTS TEAMS AS THE HEAD COACH.
- SUPPORT U5/6 TEAMS AND OTHER AGE GROUPS AS NEEDED FROM APRIL-JUNE.





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#### **GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES WITH OKANAGAN UNITED**

#### JOIN OUR JUNIOR COACH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM AND:

- BUILD LEADERSHIP, COMMUNICATION, AND TIME MANAGEMENT SKILLS.
- WORK TOWARD ADVANCED COACHING CERTIFICATIONS.
- STAY ACTIVE IN THE CLUB WHILE MENTORING THE NEXT GENERATION OF SOCCER STARS.

**INTERESTED?** EMAIL US TO LEARN MORE!

**BECOME PART OF OKANAGAN UNITED'S MISSION TO SHAPE FUTURE** LEADERS AND MAKE A LASTING IMPACT ON OUR SOCCER COMMUNITY!





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