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# Arsenal Colorado

Development Academy Program



# Development Academy Buzz



- Exclusive Competition Platform
- Quality of Competition throughout the state, region and nation
- Exposure to high quality coaches and training environment
- Partnership with and mentoring from US Soccer
- Professional Game Day Environment
- US Soccer Scouting Network to Youth National Teams
- Development Player Opportunities
- Exposure to an exclusive soccer culture
- Pathway to a soccer future (College, MLS, Youth National Teams Etc.)

# What is the Development Academy?



## Development Academy Philosophy

More training, less, but more meaningful games with proper rest ratio

## Program Focus

- Individual player development within team concept
- Improving the quality of coaching for players (Required B license)
- Shifting away from result driven philosophy
- Promoting holistic approach to development: respect, lifestyle and personal responsibility

## Club Objective

To provide a professional, high quality atmosphere and experience for members of Arsenal Colorado, utilizing an elite competition platform

# Colorado Division



Club	Location	AVG MI
Arsenal Colorado	Fort Collins, CO	67
Colorado Rapids	Commerce City, CO	35
Colorado Rush	Littleton, CO	38
Colorado Storm South	Centennial, CO	35
FC Boulder	Boulder, CO	48
Pride Soccer Club	Colorado Springs, CO	78
Real Colorado	Centennial, CO	38

## Technical Advisor Arron Lujan



### U12 Age Group

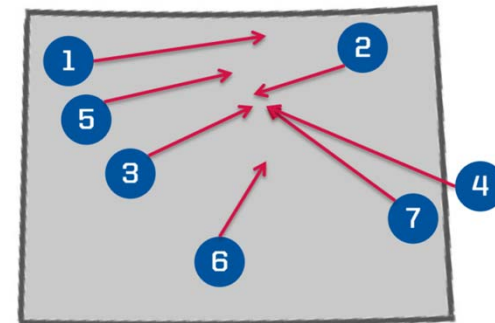
24 games (Fall 10+ Spring 14+)

### U13 Age Group

24 games in addition to a fall regional event 3 games

### U14 Age Group

24 games in addition to a fall regional event 3 games and an end of season national event 4 games





# Coaching Staff & Requirements



## Licensing Requirements

- Minimum Academy license requirements, USSF “B” License for all Academy Coaches and USSF “A” License for Academy Directors
- Coach Apprentice program allows coaches without “B” license to serve as assistants at trainings and games when paired with an Academy Director or Head Coach. The club must submit a development plan for the apprentice including consistent timeline to earn the “B” License.



Academy Director  
Dave Shaffer  
USSF “A” License

## Arsenal 2018-2019 Staff

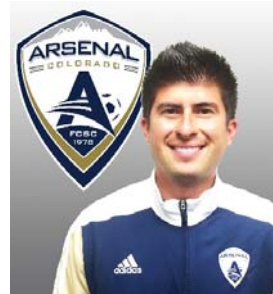
### 2007-2008 Boys Staff



Head Coach  
Tony Mortenson  
USSF “B” License



Apprentice Coach  
Matt Vannice  
USSF “C” License

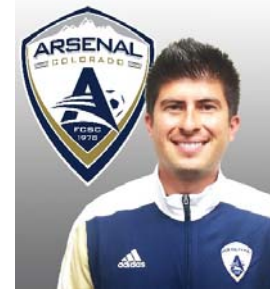


Boys Director  
Luis Dominguez Jr  
USSF “B” License

### 2006 Boys Staff



Head Coach  
Aminadab Delgado  
USSF “B” License

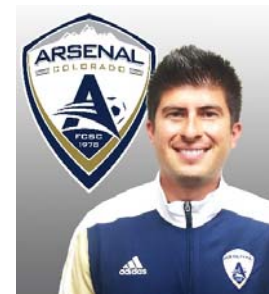


Boys Director  
Luis Dominguez Jr  
USSF “B” License

### 2005 Boys Staff



Head Coach  
Tracy Tate  
USSF “B” License



Boys Director  
Luis Dominguez Jr  
USSF “B” License

# US Soccer Events



Each club will participate on the following U.S. Soccer Academy specific events

Age Group	Futsal	Regional Event	National Event
U12	YES	NO	NO
U13	YES	YES	NO
U14	YES	YES	NO

- National event for all U14 Academy teams at the end of the season
- Format, location, and dates of events to be determined based on Academy club locations

## Calendar Breakdown

- U12, U13, U14 teams will follow the same time frame

Preparation	Fall Competitive Period	Transition	Futsal Period	Spring Competitive Period	Off-Season
Aug	Sep-Nov	Dec	Jan-Feb	Mar-June	June-July
Pre Season (2 weeks)	14 Weeks	Break	Futsal & ACA. Event	16 Weeks	8 Weeks

# Development Academy



## Weekly Soccer Schedule Layout:

- Training minimum 4 times a week
- Games: 1 game per weekend during competitive periods
- Rest: Minimum 2 days off per week
- Outside Competition: No participation in **other soccer competitions** – balance meaningful training to game ratio with appropriate rest periods



# Development Academy



## Match Analysis and Use of Video

- Each Development Academy game home and away are filmed and shared on a video server. Players have unique logins and access to all games
- Teams use this for match analysis and player feedback
- Included in the cost of the Development Academy
- Will on occasion replace an on-field session.



# U12 Organization & Requirements



## Game Format

- 24-30 Divisional games
- 9v9
- Two x 30 minute halves
- 1 Referee Per Game

## Rosters

- 2 teams per club with 26 player pool max
- 12-13 players per team
- Game day rosters are fluid and will change weekly to allow different combinations of players from the pool

# U12 Game Day Guidelines



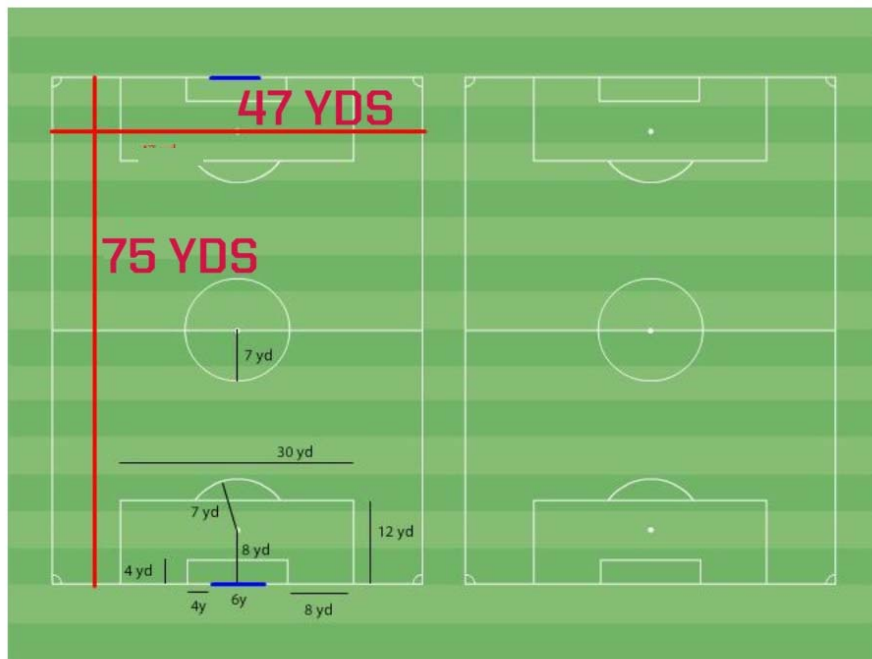
## Game Day Environment

- Games focus on player performance, rather than winning at all costs
- 9v9 format enhances development of attacking elements and introduces basic defensive concepts
- No standings or postseason to de-emphasize results driven approach
- Both U12 teams will play on the same day, ideally same time

# U12 Game Day Guidelines



## Field Size



## Recommended Formations



# U13 & U14 Organization & Requirements



## Game Format

- 11v11
- U13 (Two x 35 minute halves) U14(Two x 40 minute halves)

## Roster

- Minimum 16 – Maximum 20; recommended player pool 18

## Training

- Minimum of 4 times per week
- Minimum of 2 off days per week

## Schedule

- 24-30 divisional games in addition to a fall regional event (3 games)

## Other Rules

- Substitutions: 7 substitutions across 3 moments; half time does not count as a “moment”, injuries do count as a “moment”
- 50% minimum game per month per player as part of an individual player development plan
- No Re-entry

# Before & After the Development Academy?



## Pre-Development Academy

- Early involvement with Arsenal Colorado is critical for proper identification and team placement within the Development Academy.
- Development Academy Player Identification dates
  - Throughout the 2017 spring season; scouting in and out of club
  - Birth Year Training Dates (2006-May 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>) (2005-May 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>) (2004-May 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>)

## Post-Development Academy

- Arsenal Colorado will reintegrate teams into the state league
- National College Development Association U15-U18

# Expenses



## 2018/2019 Registration Fees

- Quarterly Installments \$625.00
- June 15 – October 15 – January 15 – March 15

- Fees do not cover travel to regional showcase
- Need based registration and uniform scholarship remain available

US Soccer Scholarships Available



Questions?