



Parkland Area Soccer Club Travel Teams

U9 - If there are sufficient numbers to field two or more travel teams, Coaches will form balanced teams and hold one joint Academy practice a week. If there are only enough players for one team, then the team will still have an Academy practice. Teams generally play in LVYSL. If Coaches have interest in playing in PAGS or DELCO, they should contact the Travel Coordinator for guidance. PTS Trainers for the Academy are funded by the Club. The Focus is on Technical development and to introduce travel soccer and the commitment to families.

U10 - If there are sufficient numbers to field two or more travel teams, Coaches will form balanced teams and hold one joint Academy practice a week. However, if the Coaches are in agreement that Competitive team(s) should be formed because there is a large discrepancy in the talent pool, then Travel Coaches can meet with the Travel Coordinator and Director of Coaching. The Travel Coordinator, the DOC and the Coaches' Committee will determine if Competitive, balanced or combination of team(s) should be formed. **This is an exception to the norm and must be reviewed and approved on a case by case basis.** This decision must be made at least 1 month prior to Travel Tryouts and communicated to all parents prior to the Tryouts. If Competitive teams are formed, teams can "stick" together at the Academy practice. "B" players will occasionally be mixed with some of the "A" players to help continue to develop the talent pool. If there are only enough players for one team, then the Coach will have an Academy practice. The "A" team(s) should strongly consider playing PAGS/DELCO in the Fall and higher level Tournaments. The "B" team(s) should consider playing in LVYSL. However, depending on the talent pool can participate in PAGS/DELCO as well. Coaches should contact the Travel Coordinator for guidance for league and tournament play. PTS Trainers for the Academy will be funded by the Club.

U11/U12- If there are sufficient numbers to field two or more travel teams, Coaches will form Competitive A and B team(s). Teams will have a joint Academy practice 1 night per week as described in the U10 paragraph above. The top "B" players may occasionally practice with the "A" team to continue to develop the talent pool. The "A" team should play in PAGS/DELCO. "B" teams should consider playing LVYSL. However, depending on the talent pool can participate in PAGS/DELCO as well. Coaches should contact the Travel Coordinator for guidance for league and tournament play. Teams will be provided Academy Training once a week by PTS trainers funded by the Club.

U13 and up - If there are sufficient numbers to field two or more travel teams, Coaches will form an A and B team(s). At this age group Coaches are encouraged to hire a paid trainer for at least 1 practice a week. Coaches should contact the Travel Coordinator for a listing of Trainers. The "A" team should play in PAGS/DELCO. "B" team(s) should consider playing LVYSL. However, depending on the talent pool can participate in PAGS/DELCO as well. Coaches should contact the Travel Coordinator for guidance. Funding for trainers can come from the General Team Funds, Travel Tryout Funds or Parent Funds

Academy Practice with PTS is provided to ALL Travel players U9 through U12