

Travel Team Pre-Tryout Information Sheet 2014 – 2015

Welcome to the Loudoun Soccer Travel Team 2014-15 Tryouts. Below is key information regarding the Loudoun 00B Black team for which your child is trying out. It includes general team information, as well as financial and logistical commitments associated with being part of this team in the Loudoun Soccer Travel Program. If you would like further information, please feel free to contact the Head Coach.

 Team Name Loudoun Soccer 00B Black
 Age Group U14 Boys

There are expected to be 5 teams in this age group. This team is in the Loudoun Soccer Premier tier and is considered the B Team.

This team plays in the following Competitive League: National Capital Soccer League (NCSL)

Head Coach: Eddie Pope Tel. #: 571-291-1302 Email: eddiepope23@gmail.com

Head Coach Qualifications / Experience

USSF B License Loudoun Soccer Professional Coach

Playing Experience:

UNC-Chapel Hill All-ACC / All-American 1996 Olympian at Olympic Games in Atlanta 3 Time MLS Cup Champion (D.C. United) U.S. Open Cup Champion (D.C. United) CONCACAF Champion (D.C. United) Inter-American Cup Champion (D.C. United) U.S. Soccer Player of the Year MLS Defender of the Year Played in 1998 World Cup (France) Played in 2002 World Cup (Japan/Korea) Played in 2006 World Cup (Germany) 10 Time MLS All-Star Selection D.C. United All-Time Best Eleven Selection New York Red Bulls All-Time Best Eleven Selection Major League Soccer All-Time Best Eleven Selection 2000 MLS Humanitarian of the Year Inducted into North Carolina Hall of Fame Inducted into DC United Hall of Fame Inducted into U.S. Soccer Hall of Fame

Education:

Bachelor of Arts from UNC-Chapel Hill 2 Time A.D. Scholar Award Winner (UNC-Chapel Hill)

Required commitments for being on this team:

This team is a year-round team and will train two to three times a week as well as participate in additional technical training sessions and play games on the weekend (spring/fall). Participation is expected at all practices & games.

This team will practice through the summer with an expected 10 practices, plus a team camp of 5 days.

This team **will** practice through the winter. This is expected to involve 10 practices from January - March (plus 8 club training sessions), and an outdoor winter league.

This team will have the following tournament schedule:

Fall tournaments include:

- August Cup tournament (MD)
- Bethesda Thanksgiving Tournament (MD)

Spring tournaments include:

- PWSI Icebreaker Tournament (Prince William Co., VA)
- Liberty Cup Invitational (Fairfax, VA)
- VYSA State Cup (VA)
- Columbia Invitational (MD)

All players and parents should be aware of the commitment required for this team:

This team is a year-round team and will train two to three times a week as well as participate in additional technical training sessions and play games on the weekend (spring/fall). It will also require various winter and summer training commitments. The number of practices and the requirement for attendance at practices and games will necessitate a very high degree of dedication on the part of all team players and their parents. If your child is selected and you cannot make such a commitment, please do not accept a spot on the team. One of the other teams should be able to match your ability level and commitment. If you are accepted on the team and cannot maintain your commitments to the team, the coach will limit your playing time to represent your level of commitment in all areas.

In accordance with "VYSA Policy Regarding Nonpayment of Club/Team Financial Obligations by Travel Players", approved in April 2012, players may be released by the team for non-payment of club or team fees. A team may release a player from the team roster for failure to meet financial obligations as outlined in VYSA Registration Manual (5.27). Accordingly, VYSA will not process a transfer of a player from one club/team to another during the seasonal year if that player is not current on his or her financial obligations.

Additional Try out

There are a number of players who may be either injured or who have conflicts with tryout dates. Therefore, a supplemental tryout <u>may</u> be held, should the coach wish to. Any additional tryouts will be at the coach's discretion and information regarding such will be posted on the team website.

Loudoun Soccer Club Fee (Premier-BlackTeam)

Club fee per player for the full seasonal year (Fall 2014 and Spring 2015) \$2,265 less discount of \$125= **\$2140** per player

Installment plans are available for club fees (4 month/9 month payments)

Club fee includes coach salary as defined in the standard coach plan, 5 winter team sessions, 5 summer team sessions, Pre-Season Team Summer camp, all facility fees.

Fall & Spring Training Academy and GK Academy are included in Club fee

Approximate Additional Estimated Team Finances

Tournaments (5)	\$ 4,190
Coach cost for 5 th tournament (4 included in LS fee)	<mark>\$375</mark>
State Cup	\$ 350
Summer Training (additional - 5)	\$1,140
Winter League (outdoor)	\$ 750
Winter League – coach costs	\$650
Winter Training (additional – 5)	\$1,140
Miscellaneous	\$ 100
Per Player cost (with 18 players)	\$483
Uniforms (new players \$100 per player, does not	\$ 100
include warm-ups or backpacks)	

Fundraising

As a member of this team, you are expected to be proactive in fundraising, along with the rest of the team families. All funds raised are for the benefit of the team and remain as team funds (see below).

Financial Refunds

Please be aware that financial refunds will not be given to any player's family or associated person, partner, colleague or alike should the player choose to leave a Loudoun Soccer team. Please refer to the Loudoun Soccer website for the full Travel Financial Policy. If the website does not answer your questions, please contact the Loudoun Soccer office. Thank you for your understanding.

MANDATORY TEAM MEETING INFORMATION:

Loudoun Soccer 00B Black will hold a mandatory meeting for the parents of players offered a spot on the team. The date/location of the meeting will be determined once the team has been selected. We will be discussing team expectations / plans, budget and roles, as well as answering any questions.

If you have questions about this team that have not been answered here, please feel free to contact the team coach .If you have general questions regarding the Loudoun Soccer Travel program please contact Fiona Legg, Travel Program Manager at tpm@loudounsoccer.com / 703.777.9977 or contact Mark Ryan, Director of Coaching (Travel) at traveldirector@loudounsoccer.com / 703.777.9977

We thank you for your interest in the Loudoun Soccer Travel Program and trust that you will have a very enjoyable experience at our tryouts. Thank you for your attendance and please let us know if we can be of any assistance to you in the soccer community.