

2023-24 Education Department Report – Steve Franklin, Director of Coaching Education

Coaching Education:

Coaching Education offerings via the US Coaching Education programming stayed with the new Blended format. Here is the 2023-24 year in review in terms of offerings:

- 7v7 and 11v11 courses in Pendelton (Aug)
- 9v9 and 11v11 courses in Bloomington (Aug)
- 7v7 and 11v11 courses in Portage (Nov)
- 7v7 and 11v11 courses in ZYSA (Nov)
- 7v7 and 11v11 courses in Greenwood (Jan)
- 7v7 and 11v11 courses in Evansville (March)
- 7v7 and 11v11 courses in Fort Wayne (March)
- 7v7 and 11v11 courses in Noblesville (March)
- US Futsal Grassroots Coaching Course –
 - Mooresville (Aug)
 - South Bend (Oct)
 - Canterbury (FW) (Nov)
- USYS Technical Leadership Webinars Every first Friday (Aug – July)
- US Soccer National D License Courses –
 - Mooresville (Jan-Feb)
 - ZYSA (Jan - Feb)
 - Indianapolis – IPS (April)
 - Columbus – (May-August)
- Small Sided Referee Course –
 - Richmond – (August)
 - Terre Haute– (August)
 - ODP players (Jan)
 - Putnum County (March)
 - Mud Sock (March)
 - Grand Park (April)
- US Soccer National C License –
 - St. Louis, MO (May- July)
 - Westfield (June – Sept)
 - Los Cruces, NM (June – Sept)
- KICKS Soccer Training Clinic (March)
- Michiana Echo Club Training Clinic (July)
- Chelsea FC Clinic – South Bend (July)
- US Soccer National Coaching Educators webinar (Monthly – 1st Friday)
- US Soccer Technical Leaders Committee (Monthly)
- Created Monthly meetings with ODP staff to assist with continuing education.
- Assisted in running the 2023 United States Technical Championships (8th annual) in December
- Attended the United Soccer Coaches Annual Convention – Anaheim, CA
- Served on the USYS Great Lakes Conference Selection Committee
- Participated in the Ohio Soccer Association’s Educator’s Summit
- Participated in the World Strides Manchester, UK ODP trip
- Participated in the World Strides Lisbon, Portugal FAM trip (May)
- Participated in the Women’s World Cup Soccer 101 Coaching Clinic with Brandi Chastain

Community Soccer

- Conducted a “Community DOC” seminar during the AGM to assist smaller clubs without a fulltime DOC on Best Practices for their clubs.
- Held our annual AGM “Directors of Coaching /Technical Leads” meetings at the Indiana Soccer Association AGM.

Additional

- Indiana DOC was named to the Midwest Regional Championships Committee (5th year).
- State Director served as a search committee participant for the Bloomington Cutters ne Director of Coaching position – a replacement for the retiring Tommy Berry.
- Webinars/Webcasts/Website
 - Community Soccer webinars
 - Meulensteen National Championships were conducted in December.
 - Coach Mentor Programing
 - A new program designed to assist current coaches on the finer points of coaching within the practice/game.

Future

- Education On-Line Library
 1. Establishment of an on-line library resource center for Indiana Soccer youth coaches. Training programs; favorite practices; systems of play; fitness guidelines; etc. will be categorized for assisting members in coaching needs.
- Webinars will be provided for the Youth Module 2, as well as a Parent Education component.