



# Skillz Check

## SOCCER ACADEMY

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Dear Parent,

I would like to invite your son and/or daughter into The Skillz Check Soccer Academy **Junior Elite Program**, beginning Fall 2017.

The Junior Elite Program (JEP) will be a year round accelerated program offered to ambitious boys and girls with 2005/2006/2007/2008 birth year. Boys and Girls will work separately within highly focused training groups and conditioned playing situations to challenge and develop excellence in all aspects of the game.

On induction, players will be identified as having the required level of skill and technique as well as the drive to improve their game of play at the next level.

### **What is the Next Level of play?**

For many, the next level of play is a short cut to a club team, whose primary focus is to “Win! Win! Win!” However, for SCSA, our aim is to provide a diverse and rounded palette of skills to select players. Our mission has always been to prepare as many players who are capable of moving up in the game.

JEP is an accelerated program designed to help ambitious players reach their full playing potential. The aim of the program is to make sure its players have all the required skill sets to excel when faced with competitive soccer. It is an ideal Training Zone to prepare 2006/2007/2008/2009 birth year players for entry into the more traditional competitive club soccer landscape.

In a club atmosphere, with players solely focusing on winning games, and clubs being mindful only to building strong rosters, these actions can be at the detriment of a player’s development. Removing the in-game pressure to win will help foster a creative mindset and place more emphasis on the correct execution of worked upon skills. These efforts allow the player to grow and be more expressive with their soccer skills.

The concept of JEP is a Club Neutral model that will focus on the mastery of key fundamentals, whilst also encouraging the love of soccer within these pivotal years of development. Each session will be richly rewarding to the developing player, promoting speed and confidence with the ball and highlighting the need for high effort within the session. Each player will be encouraged to give 100% during each session and is expected to be a willing and competitive participant. It is our intention to develop these groups over a sustained amount of time, working with a very comprehensive practice schedule. JEP will involve additional training and make indoor Futsal skills programs and camps available during the winter months.

### **Player Analysis**

The professional coaches within SCSA will review the areas of each player’s individual game that require additional attention. To help identify these areas, a full evaluation will be written for each player and feedback, regarding the content of the report, will be offered. These periodic



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evaluations will help players become accountable for their weaknesses and also appreciate their strengths and gains over the allotted period.

### **Schedule Outline**

For the **2006/2007** birth year this will include bi-weekly 1 hour practices during the Fall and Spring Season. In addition, Futsal training and league play will be offered during the winter as well as FREE enrolment into the popular SCSSA's winter and spring vacation camps, which is total value of \$600.

For the **2008/2009** birth year this includes bi-weekly 1 hour practices during the Fall and Spring season. In addition, Futsal training in the winter and SCSSA's winter and spring vacation camps will be available, value of \$600.

**To ensure your son and/or daughter's place, please respond timely to this invite once you have had a chance to look over the entire program.** All JEP spots will be offered on a yearly basis and we are looking for full commitment to the outlined program. This is to ensure the quality of the program continuously thrives throughout its full course.

### **Team Conflicts**

We strongly advise players to also have a regular town soccer commitment from which they can supplement game time and in-match play.

We feel that JEP will establish new skills and help to improve fundamental skill development, and therefore, the player that graduates from this program will naturally be competitive and accomplished player. Your players' improved performances will give them a competitive advantage in the future.

### **Payment Breakdown**

There will be three installments through the year, September 8<sup>th</sup>, December 8<sup>th</sup> and March 16<sup>th</sup>. Payments can also be made in full.

### **Location**

All training will take place in Danvers indoors sports, 150 Andover St. Danvers, MA.



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### Our Staff

**Mo Keita** - Founder and Director of Skillz Check Soccer Academy, directs and coaches various clubs in New England. Mo has been exposed to and trained in all positions of competitive play. He has produced National level players throughout his coaching in New England. New Hampshire ODP, 3x NH State Champions. Mo currently holds a USSF "B" National Coaching License. Mo trained in Germany with Ismaning FC and 1860 Munchen. He then returned to New Hampshire, where he currently plays on the NH Phantoms. Mo is currently an Assistant Head Coach at URI.

**Winston Haughton** - Coaching Director and Co-Founder of Elite UK Soccer Training, LLC. Winston currently holds a U.E.F.A.'C' Coaching License (USSF "C" Equivalent). Winston was a Youth School Player with the English Premier team Aston Villa and a Semi-Professional player in the English Midland Combinations Leagues. Coaching within the Community Scheme for Birmingham City, an English Premier League Soccer Club.

I look forward to welcoming your son and/or daughter into JEP. Please follow up with a confirmation of your interest.

In Soccer,

Mo Keita  
Director/Owner, Skillz Check Soccer Academy