



Dear Parents and Players:

Welcome to the 2017 Strathroy United FC Player Showcase! Please read the following information regarding the club. Good luck in your quest to become a better soccer player and we wish you a successful Outdoor Season in 2017.

SUFC is interested in serious soccer players who are dedicated to the sport and excellence. You will find that the experience with our club is a time of growth and maturity for your child. Not only does our club provide premier coaching to all players, but it also offers its teams the opportunity to compete against the highest level of competition within our area. Our club will help your child become a physically stronger, more skilled and tactically sound soccer player.

Player development is the number one priority SUFC. Our coaches are highly qualified. The Coaching Staff is the most important factor in your child's development as a soccer player. Through the combination of mandatory practices, open practice sessions, league play, indoor tournaments and outdoor festivals, your child will learn what it takes to become the best soccer player that they can be. Your child's ultimate success through this experience will be affected by their attitude and effort.

Players will be registered primary with Strathroy United FC and will be allowed to play ONLY as secondary players for any other team within the Club. We provide a pathway that is suitable for all of our players and the different stages of their development.

Each team is assigned a head coach. However, please note that some of our coaching staff members are responsible for multiple teams, and we also bring in Coaches to assist with certain elements throughout the year to help aid a team in an area that may require more focus. How does that work? We "coach by committee." That means your child will have the benefit of learning from all of our highly skilled coaches. Although there will be a primary coach assigned, and responsible for your child's team, other SUFC coaches will be present at tournaments and league games from time to time. However, they will not be new faces to the players. Not only does this benefit your child for style and personality reasons, but it also allows for increased development and training. Every coach has special and different strengths and talents, which allows players to benefit from the knowledge and skills of all of our coaches. Strathroy United FC is currently working on providing all of our teams from U3 – U21 a Technical Director as well as a Coach for all of our Goal Keepers. Keeper Training and will be available for fall, spring, winter, and a limited amount of time in the summer.

In addition to a head coach, each team has a team manager. The team manager is a parent who is in charge of non-coaching related items for the team. The team manager is responsible for obtaining all of the necessary information for player passes, registering teams at tournaments, managing the team web page, providing directions to games, etc. The team manager is the main communicator between coaches and parents, and should be contacted with any "off the field" concerns.

Not only is there a time commitment to play for Strathroy United FC, but there is also a financial commitment. The Cost of Registration for our Programs are some of the most economical in the area, and many teams perform fundraising as well as other Sponsorship opportunities throughout the season to help keep costs low, while still giving our members they ultimate Soccer Experience.

We're excited that your child decided to be a part of our Player Showcase for the 2017 Outdoor Soccer Season. Rosters are set based on the player availability for each of our divisions as well as the Talent pool we are able to draw from. It will be a fun and rewarding year for both of you. We expect a high level of commitment from your child. Experience has taught us that all the coaching in the world cannot make an unmotivated child an excellent soccer player. With the right attitude and level of determination, we will work together and develop your child into a stronger, more confident soccer player and person.

Visit: www.strathroysoccer.com for information about showcase/tryout times, coaches, programs, and current teams.

Our Club is always open to your questions, comments, or concerns. Please don't hesitate to contact us.

Yours in Soccer

The Executive Committee
Strathroy United FC Rep Program

Strathroy United FC will be the leader in Soccer Development in our Community by providing above average programming, as determined by its membership, in the areas of player, coach and referee advancement.