



Charlotte Soccer Academy to Enter the National Premier League

Charlotte Soccer Academy is pleased to announce their acceptance into the new U14 National Premier League Academy division for the 2011-2012 season.

This new league has been implemented for all US Academy clubs under the same premise as the current U16-U18 US Academy structure. The emphasis of the program is a formalized league structure playing through-out the calendar year at the under 14 age level.

CSA will compete in the Southeast Region league with the following US Academy clubs.

CASL

North Meck

SC Utd

Richmond Kickers

Richmond Strikers

VA Rush

SC Utd.

Birmingham Utd

Concorde Fire

Atlanta Fire

The mission behind the league is to focus on long-term development for the region's top U14 boys, allowing consistent, meaningful high-level games appropriately scheduled with higher training-to-game ratios. It also allows players to be scouted and evaluated by US Soccer National Staff and Technical Advisors on a consistent basis with league games and showcase events with other conferences across the country.

"We are very excited about this new league", states Charlotte Soccer Academy Executive Director, Brad Wylde. "To have consistent high level games each week for our younger players will continue to enhance their development and enable them to compete with the highest level players in the country. It also gets our younger boys more accustomed to a national level environment at an earlier age as they prepare for the US Academy at U16.

The team will consist of 97 and 98 birth year players and will be based on calendar year as opposed to the August 1st cut off. Players for the new National Premier League team will be selected at the 2011 tryouts in May. CSA will be holding an information meeting on the program on Wednesday, May 4th at the Springhill Suites, 12325 Johnston Road in Ballantyne at 6:30pm. All parents and players interested in hearing more about the program are welcome to attend.