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PPA Announces Spring 2021 Programming

This Spring, PPA will be offering two programming options for soccer and basketball players. As an organization, PPA is committed to keeping players and families safe, while getting back to games. After running COVID-safe programming this Fall, PPA staff is confident that they'll be able to provide fun, competitive programming for all ages and skill levels.

Registration for PPA's development soccer and basketball leagues will open on Wednesday, January 20. This Spring, PPA has made slight modifications to what would be offered in a traditional season in order to create a safe practice and game environment. The first modification is pushing back the start date of the Spring season. All development programming will start on Monday, April 12 and run through Sunday, June 13. The hope is that the curve will flatten as a result of the distribution of the vaccine. The second change is placing a cap on roster sizes, and limiting game formats to 4v4 or 5v5 depending on a player's age.

"We're placing a roster cap for a few reasons. First, by keeping our rosters small and changing the game format, we are able to limit the exposure risk for our players and their families. Second, lower roster numbers allows for flexibility. Should we need to make adjustments in programming, we feel confident that smaller team sizes will allow us to do so seamlessly," Development Soccer Director, Steven Rogers said.

Registration for a development team provides players with 8 weeks of practices and games. Registration opens on Wednesday, January 20 and closes on Friday, March 19. For more information on PPA's development soccer programs, visit

www.ppateam.com/dev-soccer and for more information on PPA's development basketball programs, visit www.ppateam.com/dev-hoops.

"This past Winter, we hosted our first ever Winter Classic Tournament, and it was a huge success," said PPA President, Mike Worden. "We're excited to bring back this style tournament again as a Spring Classic pre-season event. All teams will be parent coached and games will take place over one weekend in March. It's going to be an awesome way for teams to kick off the Spring together in a safe, competitive format."

PPA's Spring Classic pre-season tournament will be offered for both soccer and basketball teams. Soccer teams will compete in a 4v4 game format and basketball teams will compete in a 3v3 game format. PPA is offering teams registering for the Spring 2021 season a 15% discount on their Spring Classic tournament registration fees.

Spring Classic Soccer Logistics

- Games: minimum 3
- Game length: 20 minutes, no half time
- K-3rd grade tournament: Saturday, March 20
- 4th grade and up tournament: Sunday, March 21
- Price: \$375 per team

Spring Classic Hoops Logistics

- Games: minimum 3
- Game length: 20 minutes
- K-3rd grade tournament: Saturday, March 13
- 4th grade and up tournament: Sunday, March 14
- Price: \$275 per team

Registration will open Wednesday, January 20 and close on Friday, March 5. For more information or to register, visit: www.ppateam.com/springclassic.

PPA's Premier soccer and basketball programs will continue to offer outdoor training options this Spring. Premier soccer teams will have the opportunity to train multiple times a week with their team and their age group, as well as play games on the weekends. Premier hoops will follow a similar schedule and continue to play outdoors.

For more information on Spring 2021 soccer and basketball programs, visit www.ppateam.com or email info@ppateam.com.

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