

What Does TFA Stand For?

Our core values of Passion, Integrity, Fun and Enjoyment, Competition, and Respect are vital to the long-term success of our players. TFA is committed to developing these qualities and we strive to grow not only soccer players, but responsible young men on and off the field.

Our Commitment:

We focus on balance, developing The Person and The Player through the game of soccer.

We place players in a competitive and enjoyable environment, challenging them to make their own decisions.

Our Vision:

Every single player is a better person because they compete/competed for TFA.

Our Results:

The player makes better decisions on the field which leads them to make better decisions in life.



REMINDER

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TFA NEWSLETTER

Building Character One Goal At A Time



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AUGUST 16, 2019

BACK ON THE PITCH!

It's so good to see our players back in their grey training kits playing on our 'improved' Schneider Fields! I've had a few positive comments about the condition of the fields, this is solely thanks to David W. from our U13R team, thank you David! We will continue to work with the City and bring these facilities up to the standard that we want for our players.

We had a great first week at optional trainings (Tuesday and Thursday), over 50% of our youth players attended this week. Leo and Ro put on a clinic for our juggling theme, I know the lads really enjoy when these guys join in and play. Plus, I still like to see their passion, it brings back many memories from when they played in the red and white of TFA. Next week's theme is finishing, this is very different to shooting or boot it! So, ask your son after next week's optionals what's the difference? Also, a nice showing from our goalkeepers last night, good to see Dave Knapp back at it with our budding keepers.

Upcoming reminders for all families, TOPSoccer this Sunday, our 5th year and first TOPS Soccer Sunday. If you haven't participated, please feel free to come along. For me, it's the most enjoyable hour of the week. The smiles from our participants, the encouragement from our players, all coming together to play this incredible game and show their true passions. A huge thank you to Elaine who oversees this, she has literally taken this and ran, ran, ran. It started from a conversation with her several years ago saying we need to start a program in NW Ohio (my aunt had Down Syndrome and lived to be one of the eldest people in England with this condition). To now, encouraging over 60 children and adults this past year to play the most popular game in the world, truly remarkable. Thank you, Elaine, and to everyone else that makes these Sundays so much fun!

Don't forget our 'Meet and Greets' next week with your Head Coach. I'll also be meeting new families and answering any questions, while explaining why we do what we do at TFA. We are also bringing back our parent education night. The idea of this is to bring our parents together with myself alongside a training to discuss the coaches thought process and break down of a practice session. However, for those who remember, I tend to get sidetracked and offer my opinion up on various other parts of the sport... and life. Sometimes shocking some parents with my stories from growing up within the professional game. We did this many years ago and from reading our survey, we have interest in it once again. So, look forward to seeing you all there!

We will continue to announce our new plans and ideas as we head into the fall season, for me, the most beautiful time of the year, fun, fun, fun! Thank you ~ Paul

CALLING ALL REFEREES!

Is your TFA player a certified referee looking to make some extra money this fall? If so, please email Elaine at registrar@tfasoccer.org. We will pass this information along to Dave Kidd, TFA's Referee Assignor. Thanks!!



TFA UNIFORM DISTRIBUTION:

TFA Staff will be on hand at training on Monday, August 19 and Wednesday, August 21 to distribute uniform orders for all teams. Any High School orders not picked up on these dates will not be available until the start of winter training/games.

Here are some items to keep in mind when picking up your orders:

- A parent will need to sign confirming collection of the order. Players will not be able to sign for orders.
- You can have another adult (teammate's parent, etc.) pick up your order, however, they will have to sign and accept responsibility for getting that order to you.
- Please leave all labels (tags) on uniform pieces and in the bag in which they were delivered until your player can try them on. The Soccer Center will not accept returns for items with labels (tags) removed and missing bags.
- If you are missing items, or if your order is incorrect in any way, you must work with the Soccer Center for resolution. TFA is not able to rectify these issues.

HEAD COACH MEET & GREETS

Wednesday, August 21st at 5:30 PM

U13 Red / U14 Red / U15 Fall

Wednesday, August 21st at 6:45 PM

U11 Red / U12 Red

NEW PARENT MEETING W/ PAUL

Wednesday, August 21st at 6:30 PM

EUROPE TOUR MEETING

We will be holding a Europe Tour 2020 meeting on Wednesday, August 28th, 6:30pm at Schneider Fields with Barry, owner of Travel and Play.

We will go over schedule and necessary information. this is open to any U16 and older players.

Please bring a chair!



If you have been around TFA for any length of time, you have heard or read the phrase "Building Character One Goal at a Time." You have also probably heard TFA staff or others talk about building character off the field. These ideas are foundational to what TFA seeks to offer every player that wears the TFA badge. We want each and every player to grow, not only technically and tactically on the field, but also to grow as young men of character off the field.

Throughout the 2019/2020 Seasonal Year, we would like to ask that you share with us when you see our players exhibiting quality character traits. This could be something as simple as holding the door open for someone or making the honor roll. Or, it can be something bigger like giving back to the community in some way. Anything that helps us to continue to spotlight what fantastic players we have off the field.

The Game will teach us all, if we let it.

FIRST DAY BACK TO SCHOOL FROM DIFFERENT POINTS OF VIEW



SAVE THE DATES



We will also be bringing back Parent Education Nights with Paul beginning with "Dissecting a Practice Session" during Pro-Shirt Week!

TFA Night @ Chipotle

DO GOOD WITH BURRITOS



Join us at our restaurant for a fundraiser to support Toledo Football Academy. Just come in to the Chipotle at **1385 Conant Street Suite A** in Maumee on **Monday, September 23rd** from **5:00pm to 9:00pm**. Bring in this flyer, show it on your smartphone or tell the cashier you're supporting the cause to make sure that 33% of the proceeds will be donated to Toledo Football Academy.



Online orders will not be included in the fundraiser total. To ensure your purchase is counted in the fundraiser, be sure to order and pay in-restaurant. Gift card purchases during fundraisers do not count towards total donated sales, but purchases made with an existing gift card will count.

TFA Night @ BGSU Men's Soccer



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Corrected Date!

BGSU vs Cleveland State

Tuesday, September 17 @ 7:00 pm

More details to follow!

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