

MEMO



TO: DTH Members
FROM: DTH Staff
DATE: MAY 29, 2009
SUBJECT: Exciting Times Ahead

As many of you are aware of, there are some very exciting events on the horizon for DTH. In the past three months, DTH has expanded to College Station, joined with the Pursuit to create a girls program, and have affiliated with Texas Soccer Club ("TSC") to bring top talent to the USSF Academy teams. All of this, however, is simply the beginning.

The DTH and new TSC leadership have already formed an alliance for the 2009-10 season at the USSF age groups and are excited about the impact that these elite boys teams will have across the country.

Discussions are now underway regarding the possible formation of another alliance which will result in one boy's Youth Academy program for U9 and U10 players. Such an effort will allow both staffs to spend more time developing players and teams and less time recruiting 9 and 10 year olds for two separate youth programs.

DTH and TSC are also discussing the possible integration of the U11-U14 teams. If successful, this would have many benefits, including: combined pool sessions, friendly matches, tournament support, and guest play opportunities between the clubs. While there are no deadlines, TSC and DTH have committed to use their best efforts to explore all of the options, and to do so in a manner that will allow DTH and TSC to move forward into the spring of 2010 properly prepared for tryouts.

For now, TSC and DTH will continue to operate separately, and tryouts for this year will remain separate for all ages except the U16 and U18 USSF Academy Teams.

We are certain that many questions will arise regarding these efforts. Answers to questions about name, colors, uniforms, leadership, etc. will be revealed as they are agreed upon. It is important to note, however, that this venture has been completely led by the current Directors at DTH and TSC for the betterment of youth soccer in Northwest Houston. The leadership at both clubs remain confident that this is the right thing to do, and is in the best interest of all players at all levels.

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