

TALENT IDENTIFICATION PROGRAM

REGIONAL AND CLUB TECHNICAL DIRECTORS,

We are pleased to present you with information regarding the annual Kia Toronto FC Academy Talent Identification Program (TIP). TIP will provide a platform from which Kia Toronto FC Academy Scouts, Club Technical Directors and Regional Technical Directors can actively identify and recommend top club prospects for screening by Kia Toronto FC Academy Coaching Staff.

THIS PROGRAM IS STRICTLY INVITATIONAL AND BASED ON REFERRAL

TIP OBJECTIVES:

- **1.** To collaborate with Youth Clubs in providing their top prospects with an elite standard environment for talent assessment.
- 2. To create and track a talent pool of potential Academy prospects.

THE TALENT IDENTIFICATION PROGRAM SCREENING DAYS WILL HAVE A FOCUS ON PLAYERS BORN IN 2006 AND 2005.

TEAM SELECTION PROCESS/PATHWAY



PROGRAM TIMELINE

July 22	Submit completed Player Recommendation Form to Connor White (CWhite@TorontoFC.ca)
August 9	Individual players are invited to the Talent Identification Program
August 23–25	Talent Identification Program
October	Toronto FC Academy Open Tryouts
November	Potential 2 nd Talent Identification Program Screening Days
November/December	Kia Toronto FC Academy Team Tryouts
February	Final Selection for Kia Toronto FC Academy

QUESTIONS?

WHEN ARE THE TALENT IDENTIFICATION PROGRAM SCREENING DAYS?

The Talent Identification Program screening days will be hosted at KIA Training Ground as follows: August 23rd – 2006 Players I August 25th – 2005 Players

HOW TO GET TO KIA TRAINING GROUND?

(Directions from Sheppard Avenue & John Drury Drive)

- 1. Turn east onto John Drury Dr. from Sheppard Ave W.
- 2. Head south on John Drury Dr.
- 3. At the first stop sign, turn east (left) onto Carl Hall Rd.
- 4. Continue east along Carl Hall Rd.
- 5. You will go over a set of train tracks and pass several buildings.
- 6. Once you get to the fork, turn right into the parking lot area of the hangar.
- 7. Continue through the parking lot, past the hangar (heading south).
- 8. WARNING: You will pass over very large speed bumps.
- 9. At the far southeast corner, there is a gap in the fence where a long driveway commences, which is the entrance to 85 Carl Hall Rd. (Kia Training Ground)



IS THERE A COST FOR THE PLAYER?

There is no cost for the player to participate in the Talent Identification Program.

HOW TO RECOMMEND A PLAYER?

We encourage Technical Directors and Coaches to recommend players for participation in the Talent Identification Program. Please complete and scan the attached Player Recommendation Form and email to Connor White CWhite@TorontoFC.ca by Friday July 22nd.