



Tooting and Mitcham United FC Girls Scholarship Trials

Monday the 15th of February, 1.30pm start

Tooting and Mitcham United FC in partnership with Ernest Bevin Sports College are now running a full time football and educational programme for 16-19 year olds and are currently recruiting girls in school year 11. The programme is based on the scholarship scheme that professional football clubs run for both boys and girls aged 16-19.

The programme will consist of a full time football training schedule, where players train three or four times weekly and play in a competitive college academy league. Academy players will also participate in the TMUFC women's reserve team, with the opportunity to play for the ambitious and successful ladies first team. The football programme will be delivered by a UEFA "A" Licence and Sport Science Degree qualified coach. Tooting and Mitcham United FC has a fantastic stadium and quality training facilities with an all weather pitch, grass training ground and state of the art gym.

Great emphasis is placed on the academic side of the programme, which is being delivered by Ernest Bevin Sports College, who have Sports Specialist Status. The College achieved the best GCSE results in the London Borough of Wandsworth last year and are able to offer a full curriculum of post 16 courses, to the female academy players who attend its 6th form.

Football Pathways

1. Regular matches will be played against professional football clubs youth academies, with clear pathways provided for players to progress in ladies football.
2. Potential full scholarships to play football at American Universities.
3. Tooting and Mitcham United FC have a football structure that encourages the development of youth team players into the ladies first team.

Educational Pathways

1. Students will receive professional academic guidance from their personal mentors to assist with decision making on their future career paths.
2. Students achieving three "A" levels or higher (or equivalent) will receive professional guidance and advice in selecting suitable courses to further their education.
3. The Academy has links for players to advance their education in American Universities where scholarships can be attained through the combination of football ability and academic excellence.
4. Vocational work related courses.

Employment Pathways

1. Academy players will be able to access paid work for example by coaching and refereeing Tooting and Mitcham United FC junior teams or through our community scheme.
2. On completion of the course Tooting and Mitcham United FC may be able to offer full time employment, as part of the community scheme football programme, or as a Leisure Assistant.
3. Good qualifications will help academy players access work in the leisure industry.

Trials

The first trials will be held on Monday 15th February 2010, from 1.30pm to 4pm, at Farm Road Training Ground, Farm Road, Morden Surrey, SM4 6RA. The trial will be followed by a presentation on the objectives of the TMUFC Women's Football Programme
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