

Southern California's Only U.S. Youth Futsal Academy & Training Program





Dear 619 Futsal Member,

As many of you heard, United States Youth Futsal (USYF) announced the first-ever national futsal academy program and 619Futsal Academy has been chosen to represent USYF in the Southern California area.

This is truly a pioneering time for futsal in this country. We're honored to have our program and our talented players helping to set the standard for elite futsal training and competition in this US.

Please review the Q & A below. We hope this information will be helpful as we have hosted over 300 players at 619 Futsal Academy tryouts:

Q. What is the 619 FutsalAcademy program?

A. Being a part of the 619 Futsal Academy, each player will participate in development-focused training and high-quality competition on a weekly basis. Academy teams will also have the opportunity to compete in meaningful games against the best in their regions in USYF Leagues, Showcases & the Championship Series. Academy players will also benefit from training curriculum, recruitment resources, and advanced coaching education developed from a national perspective, in direct connection with the U.S. Youth Futsal National staff.

Q. What does practice involve? Will there be more practices at a higher level?

A. Training will be once a week and are scheduled on Fridays. There will be some exceptions based on the coach's availability. Also, all academy teams will practice on the same day at the same location (Miramar College).

Q. Do Academy teams play in different tournaments?

A. The USYF Academy will have 5 Regions across the US in its inaugural year. 619 Futsal Academy will be in Region 4. The regional league/friendlies will be played in a format to provide top-level academies/futsal clubs a high-quality league in either self-scheduled events or a showcase format with significant games, quality opposition, and limited expenses.

Q. Will there be more traveling and travel expenses involved?

A. The regional framework is designed to minimize travel, but there will be trips necessary to compete at regional/ friendlies games. The parents will be responsible for any costs on these trips but all plans for travel will be clearly communicated ahead of time. Our region (Region 4) has both Academies and Futsal Clubs that are within driving distance, therefore; travel expenses will be limited. (more)

REGION 4 Academies and Futsal Clubs include the following:

- 619Futsal Academy San Diego
- Futsal Factory Sacramento
- Futsal Club Temecula
- Deutscher Futsal Academy Arizona
- Rose City Futsal Oregon
- Toque Futsal Downy, Duarte & La Habra
- Joga Futsal Academy Santa Barbara
- Just Soccer Futsal Club Corona

Q. Will there be any additional cost associated with this Academy program? What is the actual overall cost of what I'm signing up for?

A. There is a USYF annual membership fee of \$100 per year for ages U12-U18 (not U10 & under). The fee includes USYF Academy membership for one year (August 1 – July 31), member insurance for one year, and a USYF official hoodie. This fee must be paid directly to USYF by August 31, 2018. Also, include in your fee are two (2) training tops, ball and player card for 2018-2019.

There is a 619 Futsal Academy (not the full Academy) annual membership fee of \$75 per year for U10 and younger. Also included in your fee are two (2) training tops, ball, 619Futsal sweatshirt and player card for 2018-2019.

The only other expense parents will have is the uniforms that will be provided to each U10-U18 Academy player. We at 619 Futsal Academy are lucky enough to have Adidas/Prime Sports as a major sponsor and they have partnered with us to cover half the cost of each players' home and away kit. The parents will have to cover the other half of this expense, which we hope will not be more than \$80 for the year.

Q. Can a player be allowed to miss practice due to homework, school functions, family outings, or priorities in other sports?

A. We do understand that there may be some absences due to school and family obligations. We just ask for advanced communication so coaches and managers can plan accordingly and adjust schedules if necessary. Unfortunately, consistent absences will hinder a player's development, as well as the team's ability to adequately prepare for competition. We would like all players to attend 3 out of the 4 training sessions per month, including games.

Q. Whom do I contact if my questions are not answered?

A. Please contact Sean Bowers at AcademyDirector@619Futsal.com If it is a question for the USYF Academy directly, you can contact Soorena Farboodmanesh at Soorena@USYouthFutsal.com.