

SHOWCASE AND SCOUTING

1. Presentation & Preparation

- **Arrive Early:** Show your commitment by being punctual. Plan to be at the venue at least 30 minutes before your scheduled session.
- **Dress Professionally:** Wear appropriate, clean gear (preferably your team or academy kit) to make a strong first impression.
- **Bring Necessary Gear:** Shin guards, boots for different surfaces, water, and any personal items required for the day.
- **Warm-Up Properly:** Arrive ready to perform your best by doing a focused warm-up before sessions begin.

2. Attitude & Coachability

- **Show Respect:** Engage respectfully with coaches, staff, other players, and scouts.
- **Stay Positive:** A positive attitude on and off the field demonstrates resilience and maturity.
- **Listen Carefully:** Pay close attention to instructions and feedback. Scouts want to see that you're willing and able to improve.
- **Be Adaptable:** Coaches may ask you to play different roles or positions. Show willingness and flexibility.

3. Technical & Tactical Skills

- **Display Control:** Showcase your ability to control the ball, pass accurately, and move efficiently.
- **Play Smart, Not Just Hard:** Positioning, decision-making, and vision are just as important as skill. Show that you understand the game.
- **Communicate Effectively:** Scouts value players who communicate well on the field, directing play and encouraging teammates.

4. Work Ethic & Stamina

- **Give 100% Effort:** Play with intensity, energy, and focus at all times. Scouts look for players who put in consistent effort.

- **Stay Active Off the Ball:** Show scouts your movement and positioning even when you don't have the ball.
- **Demonstrate Stamina and Endurance:** Maintain a high work rate and avoid looking fatigued or unmotivated.

5. Professionalism

- **Stay Humble:** Remember that arrogance can be a red flag for scouts. Remain humble, regardless of your skill level.
- **Handle Setbacks Well:** If you make mistakes, show your ability to recover quickly and keep your focus.
- **Interact Professionally:** Scouts will observe how you interact with teammates and staff. Make eye contact, give firm handshakes, and maintain good posture.

6. Physical Fitness

- **Arrive in Top Shape:** Scouts are looking for fit athletes who have prepared for the demands of professional play.
- **Demonstrate Agility & Speed:** Speed and quick reactions are often deciding factors for scouts, so be ready to showcase these skills.

7. Post-Showcase Behavior

- **Thank Coaches and Staff:** Express gratitude to those who organized the event.
- **Follow Up Professionally:** If appropriate, reach out with a thank-you email to any coaches or scouts you spoke with, but be brief and professional.