

FC York Academy 2009 Tryout Guidelines and Expectations

- FC York Academy tryouts will be held Sunday Nov 16th, Nov 23rd, and Dec 7th. It is strongly suggested that players attend all tryouts. If a player must miss a tryout, please notify the staff via email. All information has been posted on the website at www.fcyorkacademy.com
- In case of bad weather, the tryouts will be moved into the Penn State York gym.
- The Academy player pool will be limited to 22-24 players. This is necessary due to the space restrictions at our training locations. We also strive to maintain a small, intimate, coaching and learning atmosphere.
- Player evaluations will be conducted through basic technical warm-ups and small sided games.
- The Academy staff will evaluate players based on technical abilities and tactical awareness, while also considering the mental attributes and maturity level of each player. These attributes are important as they will help create a training environment that is productive, exciting, and conducive to learning. The goal of the FC York Academy is to prepare players for premier level soccer.
- The Academy staff / evaluators will evaluate players with the above information in mind. It is our hope to offer very fair and unbiased decisions. Each player will wear a colored training top denoted by a number during the tryouts.
- Players named to the Academy player pool are expected to participate from January to May. If a player cannot participate for this entire time period, please speak with a member of the staff. We would like to avoid inviting a player to the Academy, who can only train part-time, while denying another player a chance to participate.
- If a player does not attend tryouts or is not named to the player pool before January 1, 2009, they cannot join the Academy until the following year.
- The Academy player pool will be announced via email and our website no later than December 15, 2008.
- Our first training session will be Sunday January 4th in the PSU York gymnasium. A mandatory parents meeting will be held prior to the training session.