



CHICAGO FC UNITED GIRLS ACADEMY: THE ELITE GIRLS PROGRAM IN ILLINOIS

ACHIEVE YOUR ***INCREDIBLE***



OUR MISSION
Is to develop and
inspire the elite athlete.



WHO WE ARE: AN INSIDE LOOK CHICAGO FCU GA PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The **Chicago FC United Girls Academy** is designed for the top soccer players in Illinois. The goal of the FCU GA is to optimize player development through a 10 month year round season that competes against the top girls' clubs in the midwest and the country. FCU is committed to cultivating the most competitive training environment that empowers each player to reach their best potential and **Achieve Their Incredible!**

FCU GA PROGRAM: THE ELITE SOCCER EXPERIENCE

The FCU Girls Academy Program is a year round, 10 month program that produces an exceptional soccer experience in every season.

AUGUST - DECEMBER	JANUARY - FEBRUARY	MARCH - JUNE	JUNE
FALL	WINTER	SPRING	SUMMER
<ul style="list-style-type: none">· 10+ Academy League Games· Fall Academy National College Showcase· 4 Training Sessions Per Week	<ul style="list-style-type: none">· FC United College Showcase· Winter Academy Showcase· 4 Training Sessions Per Week	<ul style="list-style-type: none">· 10+ Academy League Games· Spring Academy National College Showcase· 4 Training Sessions Per Week	<ul style="list-style-type: none">· Summer Showcase / Playoff

**Schedules subject to change*

- ★ **Coaching Staff:** All Teams are Coached by Experienced, Elite Level Coaches
- ★ **Exposure to US Youth National Team Scouts**
- ★ **National GA College Showcases**
- ★ **All GA League Games & Showcases Are Filmed!**
- ★ **4 Training Sessions Per Week**



FCU GA: BY THE NUMBERS

Number
of Players
100+

Number
of Teams
5

2022/2023
Age Groups
2010-2004

THE FCU WAY: STYLE OF PLAY

In possession: "Our aim is to manipulate the positioning of the opponent by creating and exploiting space."

Construction:

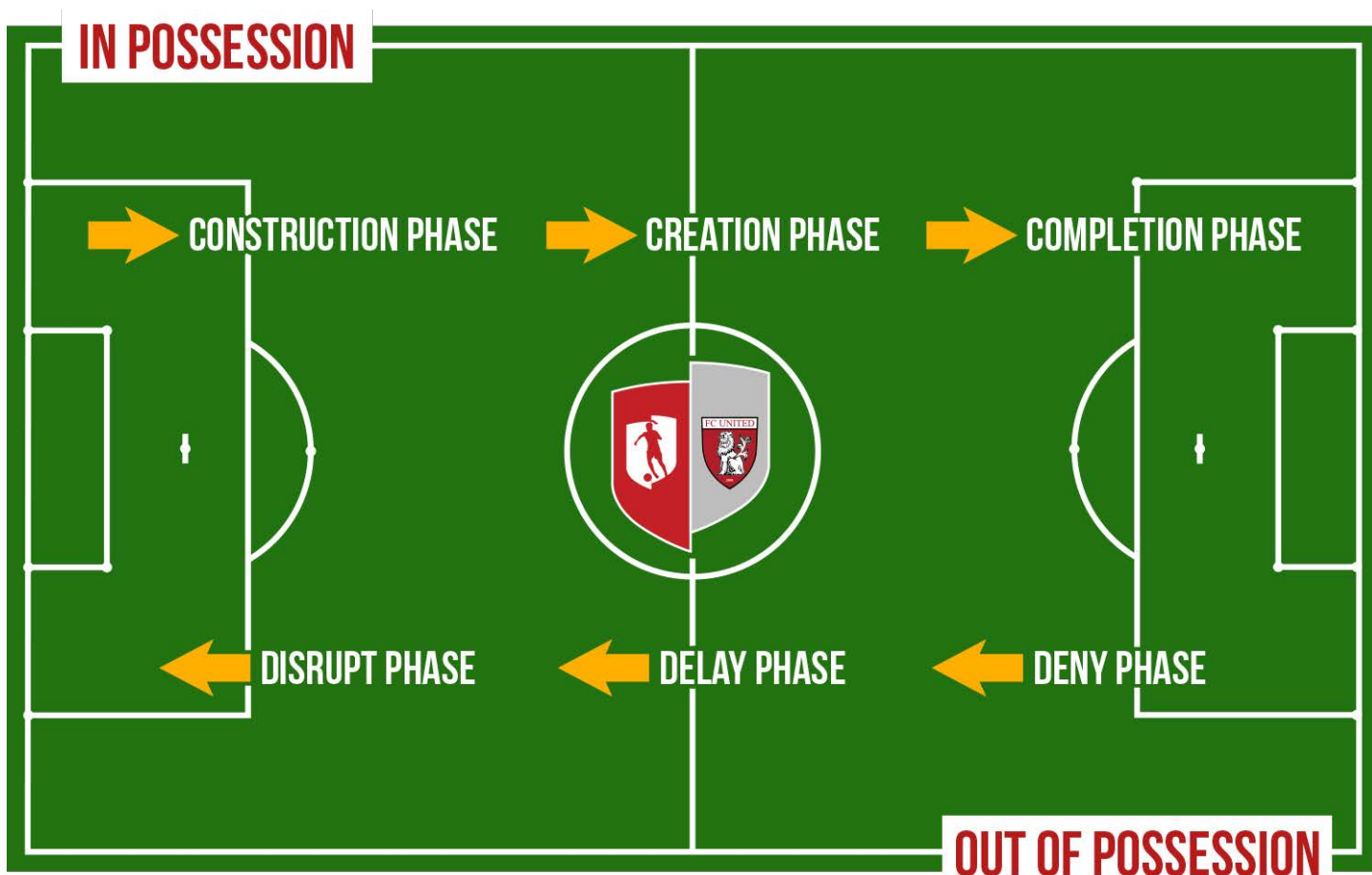
- Player Movement & Rotation
- Attract Pressure

Creation:

- Create Numerical Overloads
- Exploit Space Between & In Behind Lines

Completion:

- Threaten Space in Behind
- Create & Utilize Overloads



Out of possession: "High octane front foot defending, denying opponent time and space to regain possession as soon as possible"

Disrupt

- Disrupt & Press the Opponent's Build Out

Delay

- Recover & Defend in a Compact/ Organized Shape

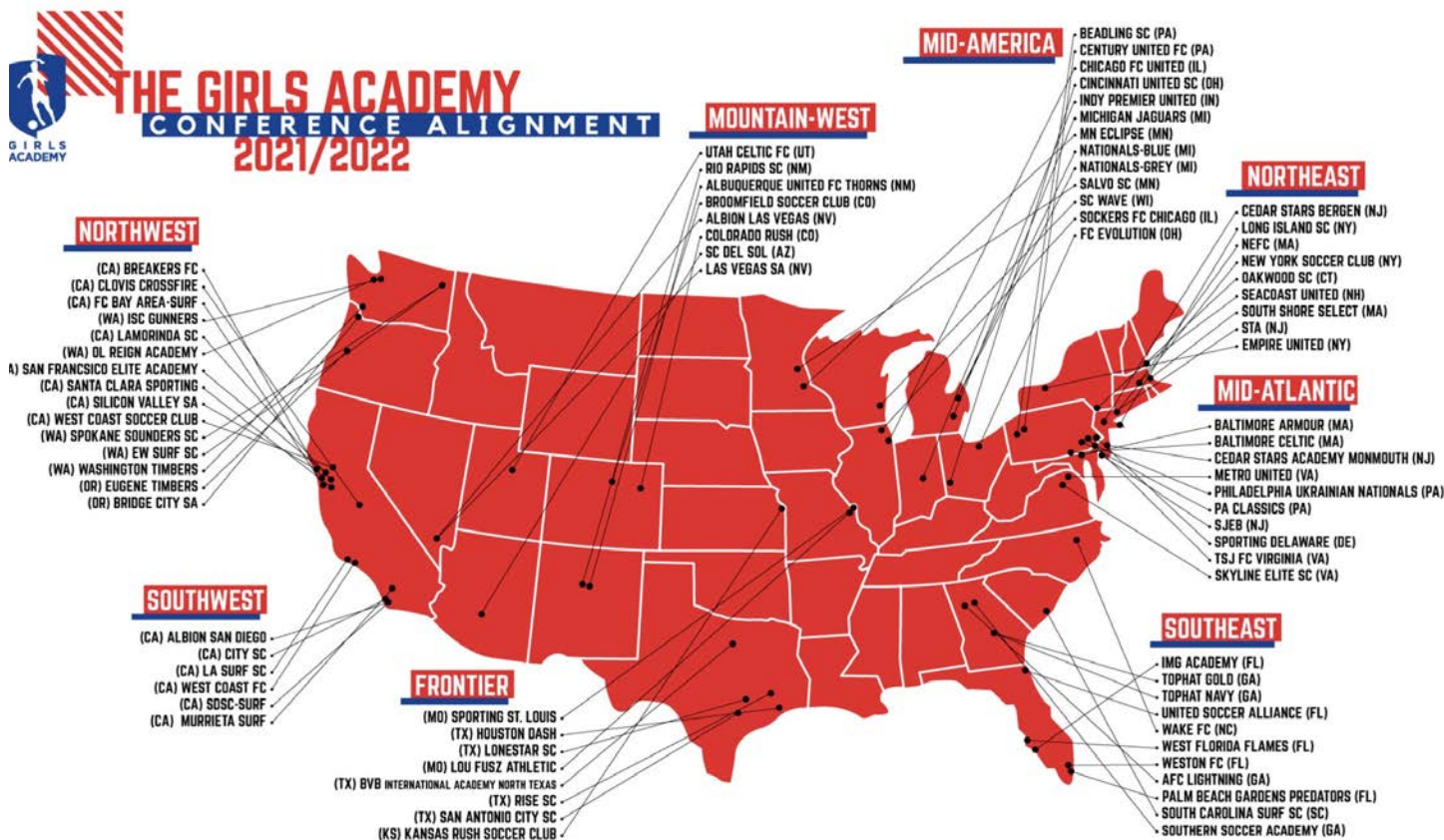
Deny

- Eliminate Attacking Threat & Deny Goal Scoring Opportunities



THE GA PLATFORM: COMPETE AGAINST THE BEST!

The FC United Girls Academy teams compete against the top teams in the Midwest and the country! The Girls Academy League consists of 7 Conferences throughout the United States.



OUR CONFERENCE: MID-AMERICA CONFERENCE

The FC United Girls Academy participates in the highly competitive Mid-America Conference, composed of the best girls teams in the Midwest!





“The FCU GA Program provides the recruiting education and the exposure opportunities needed for the girls to play at the collegiate level. If you want to play at the next level, this is the program for you.”

- Parent of a 2020 GA Player

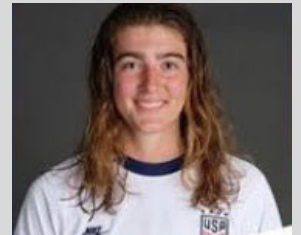
REACH THE NEXT LEVEL: COLLEGE RECRUITING & BEYOND!

FCU Girls Academy College Recruiting: Exposure to College Coaches, Recruiting Process Education & Execution

We prepare our players to compete and contribute at the next level. We provide the knowledge, networks, and exposure to provide our players the best opportunity to play collegiately for a school that best fits their academic, athletic, and personal goals.

Player First Recruiting Platform

FC United is proud to offer **PlayerFirst Recruiting** to our FCU club members. PFR is a personalized recruiting software that provides a step-by-step guide for navigating the complicated recruiting process. This software is available to current 8th through 12th-grade Girls and Boys FC United members interested in playing collegiate soccer.



Keegan Schmeiser
U17 National Team
Member



Mya Nugent
U16 National Team



Molly Vapensky
U15 National Team

COLLEGE PROGRAMS WITH FCU GIRLS COMMITMENTS SINCE 2019





CLASS OF 2022

Andrea Aguirre
University of St. Francis

Kali Burrell
University of Michigan

Delaney Engel
North Carolina State University

Hannah Gryzik
University of Illinois Chicago

Daisy Hernandez
Illinois State University

Julia Holton
Fordham University

Melissa Kubin
Central Michigan University

Athena McGinn
University of North Dakota

Mallory McGuire
Rutgers University

Olivia Medina
DePaul University

Emma Struck
Case Western Reserve University

Ella Thompson
Brandeis University

Natalie Thurston
Purdue University



CLASS OF 2021

Abby Baldrige
University of Louisville

Annie Bantner
University of St. Thomas

Danielle Barzowski
University of Wisconsin Milwaukee

Katia Chiampas
John Hopkins University

Sasha Clinnin
Roanoke College

Cate Cullison
University of Wisconsin Milwaukee

Betsy Dickman
Trinity College

Emily Dunkel
Dickinson College

Nikki Elliott
Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Ryann Lucas
St. Mary's College of California

Kemi Makinde
Bluefield State College

Juliet Mendez
Saint Xavier University

Marissa Murillo
Saint Xavier University

Jaden Peck
University of Minnesota

Annie Welch
Yale University

CLASS OF 2020

Claire Cashion
DePauw University

Lauren Holland
University of Minnesota

Alexandra LaQuaglia
University of Wisconsin

Vanessa Murray
University of Denver

Hailey Newman
University of North Dakota

Julia Olander
University of Pennsylvania

Alyssa Rivera
Purdue Indian Fort Wayne

Tina Teik
Yale University

Ellie Zern
Holy Cross

AHEAD OF THE CURVE: PEOPLE, INNOVATION, & FACILITIES

OUR LEADERSHIP



Steve Morris - Academy Director

- USSF National A License
- Former Professional Player in NPSL, A League, and Canadian Soccer League
- Former USLII Coach



**Chris Wright
FCU GA Assistant Director**

- USSF B License
- UEFA B License
- NSCAA Premier



**Andy Parry
Director of Operations**

- USSF National A
- USC Premier Diploma
- USSF National Youth



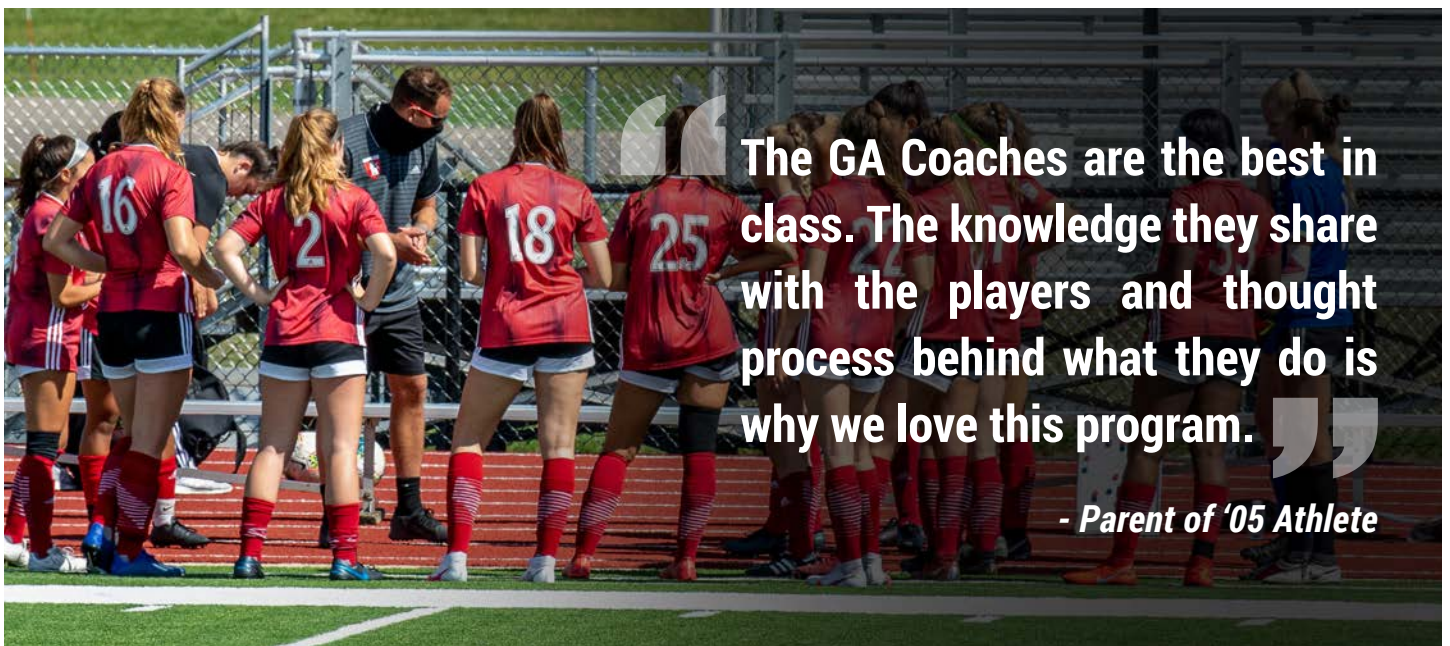
**Stan Anderson
FCU GK Coach**

- 24 years D1 College coach
- 2014/15 DA National Champ with Chicago Fire Academy
- 2018 IL Soccer Person of the Year



**David Roth
Executive Director**

- Northwestern University All American
- Northwestern Athletic Hall of Fame
- New York Red Bulls (2009-2010)



INNOVATION: CHANGING THE PLAYER & FAMILY EXPERIENCE

FC United GA is always evolving and innovating our program to provide the best player and family experience in youth soccer.



PlayerFirst App: PlayerFirst is the club proprietary app that drives the club schedules, rosters, and team communications.



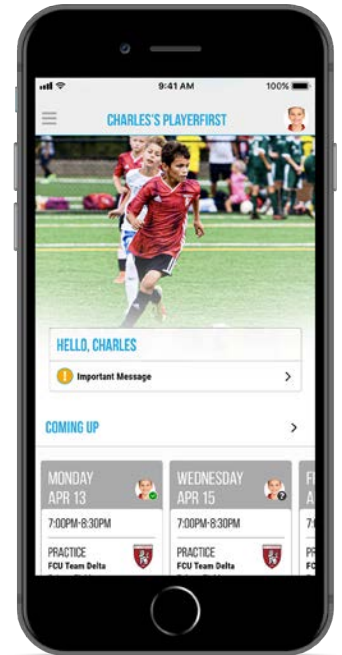
@Home Training Program: The FCU @Home Training Program includes a library of individual exercises designed to promote the player's Commitment to Self Improvement.



InStat: Powerful online video platform that will provide coaches with game analysis reports, and give individual player clips and statistics

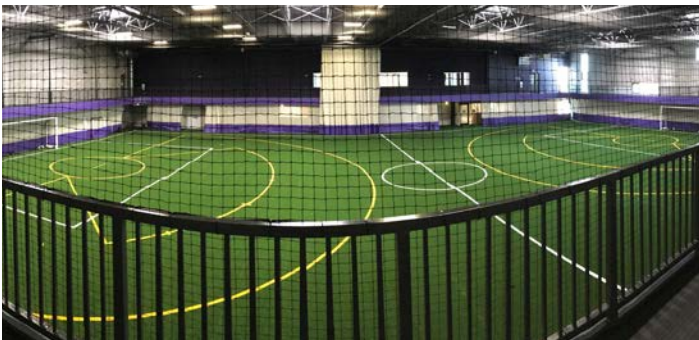


VEO Game Film: All Girls Academy Games are Filmed! All League Games & Showcase Games are Filmed using VEO technology. Game Films are used for internal game analysis and for the player recruiting purposes.



ELITE TRAINING FACILITIES: TRAIN ON THE BEST!

HOME INDOOR FACILITIES:



Falcon Indoor Fields

3090 N. Lake Terrace, Glenview



Highland Park Fieldhouse

2205 Skokie Valley Rd, Highland Park

HOME OUTDOOR FACILITIES:



Vernon Hills Turf Fields

300 Nike Pkwy, Vernon Hills



Winnetka Turf Fields

540 Hibbard Rd, Winnetka



INTERESTED IN THE GA?
DO YOU HAVE WHAT IT TAKES TO
PLAY AT THE ELITE LEVEL?

Contact Academy Director Steve Morris:
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