

FQ Academy - Sunshine Coast Development Centre FAQ's

The FQ Academy Development Centre - Sunshine Coast, is a Tier 2 Program that aims to provide additional opportunities for Sunshine Coast based players to train with accredited coaches within our FQ Football System.

In terms of the footballing landscape, the Sunshine Coast Development Centre currently sits closely under the FQ Academy Advanced Program, which currently operate out of six regional hubs: Metro, Wide Bay, Central Coast, Whitsunday Coast, Northern and Far North and Gulf, and licenced club-based programs in SEQ.

FQ Academy Development Centre - Sunshine Coast is guided by FQ's Playing Style Statement and age-appropriate coaching methodologies, focussing on the four core skills in an optimum and fun learning environment. This Program also aligns with FQ's 2023-2026 Strategic Plan (Pillar 2 – Elite Teams & Pathways) as well as Football Australia's (FA) XI Principles for the Future of Australian Football (Principle V & Principle VI).



FAQ's

Who can register?

A) All children aged 9-14 with an FFA Number, who are currently registered to an FQ Affiliated Community Club for the 2023 season.

Who cannot register?

A) Any child younger than 9 or older than 14, or any child currently registered with either of the following:

- i. Any players solely registered to a club/school affiliated to the Sunshine Coast Churches Soccer Association.
- ii. Players already registered with a licenced FQ Academy licenced club (SC Wanderers – Boys & Girls; SC Fire – Boys only).

Where do I register?

A) All registrations occur via Squadi, FQ's competition management platform. Please follow this link to be taken to the registration portal:

<https://registration.squadi.com/userRegistration?organisationId=61888321-1298-4748-9f09-1f604ff464ff&competitionId=6ce3beb3-93c2-4faf-9ae2-cdd39f273d98>



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How long is the program?

A) The program is a 16-week program in which attendance and players are expected to attend the majority of all sessions, excluding sickness or injury.

What day is the training sessions? What dates?

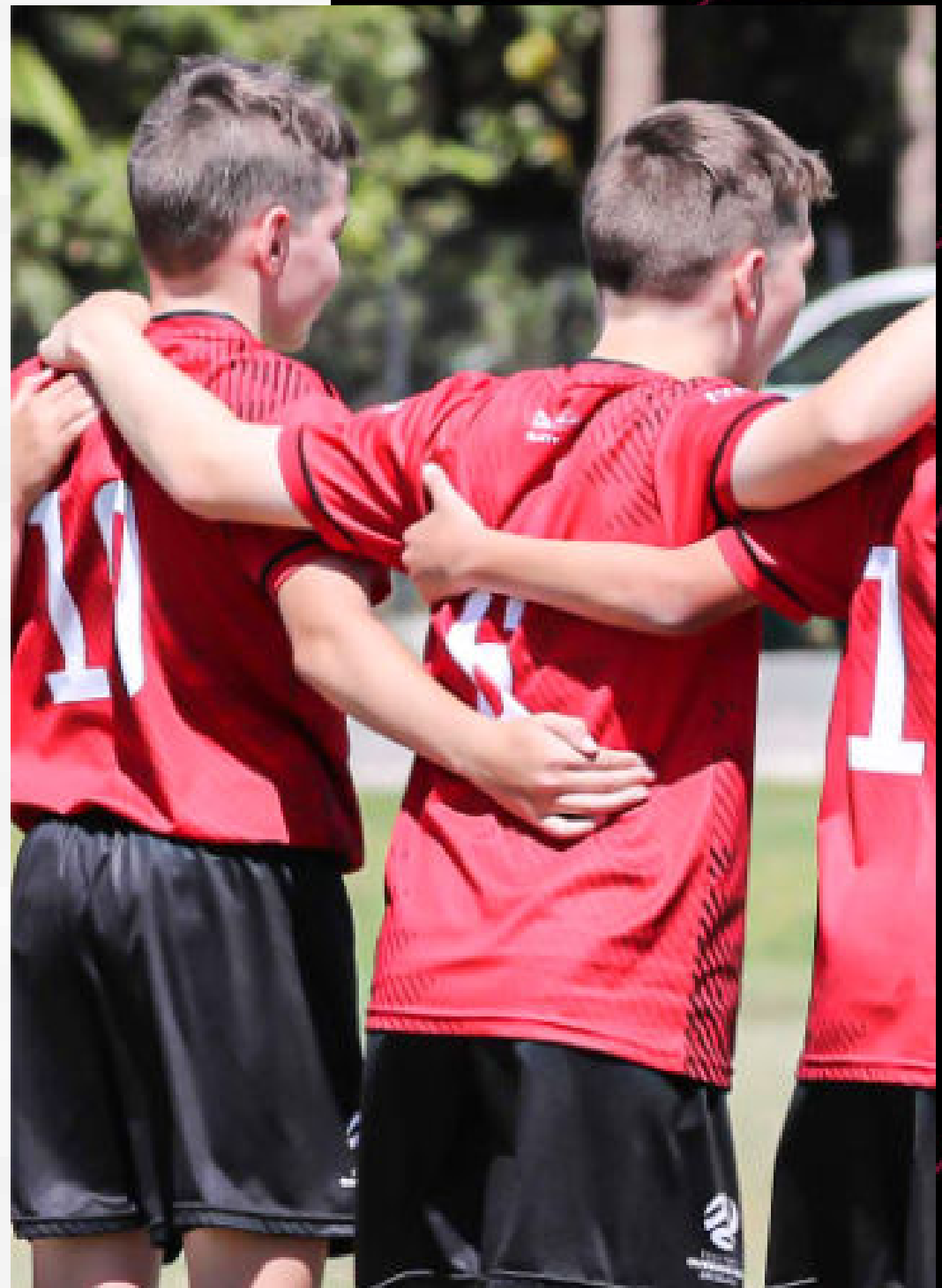
A) The Program training sessions are held on the below listed Sunday mornings commencing 23rd April and concluding 10 September (16 sessions). Please note, no session during school holidays or on Mother's / Father's Day.

What time are the sessions held?

A) U9 – U11 Boys & U9/U11 Girls: 9am – 10am
U12 – U14 Boys & U12/U14 Girls: 10:15am – 11:30am

Where is the program held?

A) Training sessions will take place at Maroochydore Football Fields (462 Maroochydore Road, Kuluin, 4558).



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What is the cost of the Program? What is included?

A) The cost of the 16-week Program is \$250.00 GST inclusive. The child will receive one uniform inclusive of this price (1 x jersey, shorts and socks). The fee also covers all training costs associated with the Program with no hidden or further fees to participate.

Will any refunds/discounts be provided for absences?

A) As a commitment is required for the whole 16-week Program, no refunds or discounts will be applied for missed sessions. For extenuating circumstances (long term injury, family moving), this will be dealt with on a case-by-case basis and your refund request should be issued to programs@footballqueensland.com.au for review.

What if my child cannot attend the whole Program?

A) Due to the long-term development nature of the program, if your child cannot attend the whole program, please refrain from registering.



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What is the focus? Any position-specific training?

A) The Development Centre – Sunshine Coast Program is centered around the four core skills (first touch, striking the ball, running with the ball, and 1v1). With the focus on the Skill Acquisition Phase/core skills, no position-specific training is embedded into the Program. Children younger than 9 fall into the Discovery Phase, this Program and its focus is not age appropriate for anyone below age 9 and above age 14 at this present moment.

Is the program run by qualified coaches?

A) Yes, the Sunshine Coast Development Centre training sessions are held with qualified FA-accredited coaches, and overseen by Scott Grimshaw (FQ's Club Development Ambassador – Sunshine Coast) and Alec Wilson (FQ's Senior Manager – Club Development, Talent & Coaching – Central Coast)

When will my child receive their playing kit?

A) The aim is for children to receive playing kits at the first training session, or very early on in the Program. As stock and delivery times are out of FQ's hands, FQ will provide every effort possible to assist in this timeline being met where applicable.



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Will this program enable participation in FQ Academy Events (WinterFest, State Carnivals etc)?

A) The Sunshine Coast Program is a 'Tier 2 - Development Program' and focuses on providing additional training opportunities that complement their current club-based programs. Currently, participation at our FQ Academy events is for squads involved within our FQ Academy Programs.

Is this a selection-based Program? Will there be trials?

A) Our FQ Academy – Development Centre is based on a long-term player development approach and is not a selection based-program. It is open to all U9 – U14 players within our FQ-affiliated Sunshine Coast clubs looking for additional training hours.

How do I provide sizing for my child's playing kit?

A) Once registered, please fill in the below form:
<https://forms.office.com/r/ZiKHMj8dj>

Who are the key contacts for this Program?

Program Lead: Alec Wilson

Program Lead: Scott Grimshaw

FQ Academy Operations Manager: Ally Reid

Email: programs@footballqueensland.com.au

