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## The Player Progression Academy Announces Winter 2021/22 Programming

The Player Progression Academy (PPA) announces its Winter programming options which include development and premier-level soccer and basketball. After not being able to have a season last Winter due to COVID, PPA is expecting to return to a full indoor Winter season for development programs. Development Winter programming includes futsal and indoor basketball. Futsal is a modified form of soccer, but is mostly played on a hard court with a heavier soccer ball. Premier programs will be returning to Winter league play as well.

PPA's development program is designed to provide a high quality practice and game experience with a PPA trained coach, no parent volunteers needed. PPA also works with development teams to coordinate local, convenient practices with friends. This Winter, PPA's development soccer and basketball options include leagues for players in kindergarten through eighth grade. The Winter futsal season will start on January 22nd and run through March 13th. The Winter hoops season will start on January 10th and run through March 6th.

Registration for the Winter 2022 season will open on Monday, November 1. For returning players to guarantee a spot you must register by Sunday, November 7. Players can register by starting a team, joining a team, or as a free agent. Registration for all players interested in joining a Winter team will close on Friday, December 17.

"This Winter season we are bringing futsal back for our development soccer program," said PPA Development Soccer Director, Steven Rogers. "Futsal is a great way to further develop a player's skills. We often see a rise in our players' level in the Spring and that

is due to the way futsal is slightly different than a normal outdoor soccer game. The ball moves faster and players are forced to make quicker decisions. I am looking forward to continuing to see our players get better this Winter."

About the Player Progression Academy (PPA)

The Player Progression Academy (PPA) is a multi-sport youth academy located in the Washington, D.C. metro area with programs for children ages 2-18 years old. PPA's mission is to build a base of fundamental skills necessary for a positive and successful athletic experience, and to translate those experiences into real life lessons that reinforce our values. Learn more at <a href="https://www.ppateam.com">www.ppateam.com</a>.