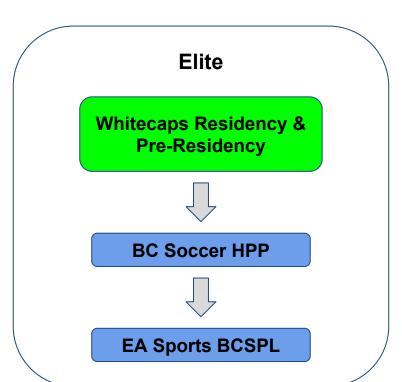
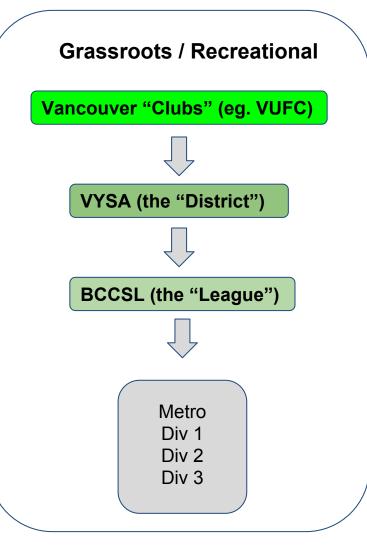
### **VUFC Evaluations: Coaches & AGC's Meeting**

**January 28, 2019** 



# League structure





Pyramid of play Whitecaps Residency (<1%) Elite\* **BCPL** (~2-4%) Recreational\* Metro (~8%) Div 1, 2 and 3\*\* (~88%)



<sup>\*</sup>As defined by BCSA

<sup>\*\*</sup>Typically at VUFC, 15-25% play Div 1, 35-40% Div 2 and 40-55% Div 3; skews more to Div 2 and Div 3 at U11 and U12

# Leagues by age

Age Group	Division	League	Governing Body	Game Format
U11 & U12 Boys	Div 1	BCCSL	BCCSL	8 a side
	Div 2			
	Div 3	VYSA	VYSA	
U11 & U12 Girls	Div 1	BCCSL	BCCSL	8 a side
	Div 2			
	Div 3	VYSA	VYSA	
U13-18 Boys	Metro	BCCSL	BCCSL	11 a side
	Div 1			
	Div 2			
	Div 3			
U13-18 Girls	Metro	BCCSL	BCCSL	11 a side
	Div 1			
	Div 2			
	Div 3			



### New for this year

- Metro is now an option for VUFC teams to apply for
- TD has final say on roster sizes and composition
- Aside from rare cases involving extenuating circumstances, players will only be added to rosters from (a) Alternate lists created at Phase 4 and by direction of the TD for players who move to Vancouver between the end of Evaluations and the start of the season
- MANDATORY: Coaches must have compete and up to date Criminal
  Record Check on file with the club before they will be accepted as a coach
- MANDATORY: Coaches must have taken the LTPD coaching course applicable to the age they are coaching (Learn to Train for U9 to U12 and Soccer for Life for U13-18)



# U10 to U13 Age Group Coordinators (AGC's)

Birth year	Boys	Girls
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U10 (2009 born)	Robert McGarry	Amber Paul
	Barbara Dalpke & Joanna Brewster	
U11 (2008 born)		Jelena Radic
U12 (2007 born)	Kathy Thomas	Leah Walton
		Leeni Koivisto
U13 (2006 born)	Kerry Nevard	



# **Guiding principles of VUFC Evaluations**

- Objective
- Transparent
- BCSA and LTPD compliant
- Checks and balances
- Season long



# **Objective of VUFC Evaluations**

- Goal of our Evaluations is to ensure all our players are put on teams that are suitable for their current level of play.
- Increases likelihood of a positive playing and training experience and thus continued play with the club.
- By then putting them in the right division we facilitate appropriate level of competition
- Reduce attrition, keeps kids playing



### Structure of VUFC Evaluations

#### Phase 1:

VUFC staff coach reports on players

#### Phase 2:

Team coach Player Assessment Reports at end of season

#### Phase 3:

On field, end of season evaluation sessions scored by independent evaluators

#### Phase 4:

Opinion and notes of incoming coaches to be used with all other available data at a team formation meeting led by senior staff coaches

Team rosters are posted online at the conclusion of this process.



### Phase 3: where do players start?

- For U12 to U14 Evaluations, you start Phase 3 at the level you just finished playing.
- If you want to be considered for a higher level you request that on the Phase 3 registration
- Those requests are evaluated by cross-referencing Phase 1 & 2 scores
- Invites are sent to those that a reasonable chance of making the level requested.
- Those not invited are given the opportunity to come to an extra session that precedes the Div 2 or 2 sessions if they feel strongly they should still be considered
- Players that show well at that session will be invited to the Div 1 or 2 session they requested
- Players that played in the Metro Division of BCCSL this past season and want to be considered for VanU Metro or Div 1 teams start at the Metro/Div 1 Phase 3 sessions

### **AGC** Responsibilities

- Attend Information Meetings
- Read the Evaluation Policies
- Liaise with other AGC's to ensure every player has been placed on a team
- Be aware of players new to the club (or soccer in general) and players who have chosen not to attend the Evaluations when forming Div 3 teams
- A key goal is to ensure team viability and that all players in Vancouver have a team to play. This work may extend into the summer months



### **Current Season Coach Responsibilities**

- Complete online Player Assessment forms within the designated timelines.
- Complete Coach Application for next season if you plan to return as a coach
- Attend Evaluation Information Meeting.
- Notify players of evaluation dates/locations and relay evaluation policies information.
- Consult with players and their parents about the level they want to be evaluated for and provide guidance, as necessary, based on their knowledge of players' ability.
- Be prepared to help warm players up while TD and Evaluators get session set up.
- Help with logistics during evaluations including managing subs during small-sided games and helping players rotate through stations.
- Do not coach players at Phase 3 sessions. Observe and record only.
- Remain neutral in comments made to players during the session and support all players equally, not just the ones from your team.
- May be asked to contribute, in person or by phone, to Team Formation Meeting to provide additional insights.
- Familiarize yourself with Evaluations Policies, and be main point of contact to answer parent/player inquiries leading up to evaluations

### 2018-19 Team Coach Responsibilities\*

- Attend Evaluation Information Meeting.
- Attend all evaluation sessions for your team, assist with the evaluation process as required and ensure you see all players over the course of the evaluations.
- Bring list of desired players to Team Formation Meeting along with notes/opinions on other players. These will be compared with Evaluator observations and completed end of season Player Assessment Forms from last season's coaches in consultation with the TD.
- Accept confirmations from team members once roster is posted and advise the TD of player confirmations.



<sup>\*</sup>If you also coached this current season, consider these as being in addition to the duties listed in "Current Season's Coach"

## **Role of parents**

- Read the information provided by the club on our website including Evaluation Policies. Follow instructions provided.
- Register for Phase 3 well in advance.
- Do not believe or start rumours. If you hear rumours, advise people to check them against published VUFC info
- Perspective: this is not the start of a professional career or the end of the world
- Remain civilized. Kids' sports do strange things to adults



### **Coach selection for VUFC teams**

- Coaches will be given a link to an online application
- Selection will be by staff coaches led by TD; based on positive experience, certification, history with age group, adherence to club motto of Game, Club, Community
- Where there is competition we may require meetings with prospective coaches
- Candidates are encouraged to co-coach so we can allow more to be involved
- Evaluation policies now distinguish between parent coaches and non-parent volunteer coaches



# U13-18 BCCSL league and cup play

- BCCSL extends from Whistler and Sunshine Coast to Chilliwack
  - Priority is to regionalize divisions where possible
- All BCCSL divisions except Metro will be regionalized
- In January, based on results to that point, Div 1-3 teams are placed into six team League Championship Groups for rest of season to determine league champions.
- Coastal Cup play begins, can lead to Provincial Cup in July



# **Questions?**

