

Northern Nova United Soccer Club Policy for Movement of Player to a Higher Age Level

Introduction

This policy provides guidelines for determining if a player should be moved to a higher age level before they reach the required age. NNU will generally only consider early movement of a player to an older age level if there is no program for the player at their age level that provides them with the appropriate training and competition. These policies are generally only applicable to under 10 committed players and under 12 Tier IIA players.

Under 10 Committed/Tier II Guidelines

The following guidelines are used to help determine if a player will be considered for early movement to a higher age level within the Youth Program:

When determining whether an underage U10 committed or Tier II player should move to a higher age level the player's interests will supersede team interests. This means that any underage U10 committed or Tier II players that are ready to move to the next age level will not be held back to bolster a team. Similarly, underage U10 committed or Tier II players that are not ready to move up to the next age level will not be moved up to aid with team formation.

To be considered for early movement to a higher age level an underage player must demonstrate that they are a dominant player at their own age level.

To move up to an older age level underage players must generally be considered one of the starting eleven players of a team they wish to play on.

Early movement of players within the Tier IIA program will not generally be considered. The reason for this is that Tier IIA players requiring a more challenging program can play Tier I at their own age level. A Tier IIA player will only be considered for movement to a higher age level if there is no Tier I team to play on the season of consideration. A Tier IIA players movement will be reevaluated each season.

Early movement of players within the U14-U18 Tier IIB program may be considered to assist with team formation.

The early movement of U10 age players to U12A/B will be considered but only with the recommendation of the regional technical director, club's academy head coach or club technical committee.

The technical committee must approve all requests for early movement of players to a higher age level.

Mini Program Guidelines

The following guidelines are used to determine if a player will be considered for early movement to a higher age level within the mini program:

To be considered for early movement to a higher age level within the Mini program an underage player must demonstrate that they are a dominant player at their age level.

Early movement of U6 players to U8 requires the approval of a member of the technical staff and the mini coordinator.

Movement of a U8 player to U10 requires the approval of one of the club's academy program instructors and the mini coordinator.