



**CHANGE SOCCER.
CHANGE LIVES.**
THE LEGACY
CAMPAIGN



YSC ACADEMY

AN EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE LIKE NO OTHER

YSC Academy is the first of its kind, a soccer-specific sports high school, providing secondary education to student-athletes in grades 8-12, established in 2013. The school enables talented youth soccer players of diverse backgrounds the opportunity to pursue their passion to play soccer at elite levels while simultaneously obtaining a highly individualized, learner-centered, and rigorous college preparatory education.

YSC Academy employs a cutting-edge, responsive educational model specifically designed for adolescent learners that honors their minds and bodies and encourages their personal ownership of the educational process. Academy faculty and staff strive to align the latest research in the science of the brain and the science of the body with the end-goal of empowering students to become self-directed learners in the classroom, on the soccer field, and in all life pursuits.



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YSC ACADEMY A COMMUNITY LIKE NO OTHER

YSC Academy's community is a special place, built on an ethos of trust, respect, commitment, hard work, and humility. The emphatic cultural emphasis on passion for learning is core to the school's identity and mission. Our student-athletes are encouraged to take ownership of their education by becoming passionate learners whether that is on the soccer pitch or in the classroom. YSC Academy student athletes do not learn just to get an "A" or just so they can make the "starting 11" – they learn for the sake of learning and this mindset is a powerful attribute that equips them to excel not just in school or soccer, but life.

YSC Academy student-athletes have a special gift of talent on the soccer field. We thrive to enrich the lives of every student in becoming the best version of themselves.

Our diverse community is made up of a variety of uniquely gifted individuals from different backgrounds. The variation of students-athletes at YSC enhances strong/positive character, development- which is apparent both on and off the pitch.



SUCCESSFUL STUDENT OUTCOMES

ON THE PITCH

YSC Academy offers the most comprehensive development-training program available to elite soccer players in North America. YSC Academy's soccer curriculum is designed and implemented by Philadelphia Union Academy staff to improve the speed and quality of technical skills and decision making of all players. Each training session is individually tailored and carefully monitored to ensure the student-athlete is given the best possible environment to expedite and enhance personal development. Current YSC Academy student-athletes take advantage of training opportunities with US Youth National teams as well as with Bethlehem Steel (USL) and the Philadelphia Union's first team.

POSITIVE OUTCOMES

5% of Alumni are playing professional soccer

20 Professional debuts by Academy enrolled students

90% of alumni are NCAA Division I student-athletes

National team call ups and participation



OFF THE PITCH

POSITIVE OUTCOMES

95% of Alumni are currently Pursuing College Degrees

18% of Academy alumni are first generation college attendees

40% of our students attend highly selective colleges and universities

10% attend Ivy League Schools

YSC Academy aligns athletic and academic pursuits by employing a cutting edge, responsive educational model specifically designed for adolescent learners. YSC Academy places the student at the center of a dynamic learning process that emphasizes ownership, creativity and passion for learning. In small cohorts that blend online content delivery with classroom instruction, our dedicated faculty encourage students to take ownership of their own learning. Students are prepared for success in academic and professional environments that are increasingly defined by interdisciplinary collaboration, technological advances, and cutting-edge innovation.

THE LEGACY CAMPAIGN

Our students receive a life-changing chance to pursue a passion and grow as a person. Without ongoing generous financial support from community leaders, businesses and organizations, students would not have the opportunity to access and receive the educational experience offered at YSC Academy.

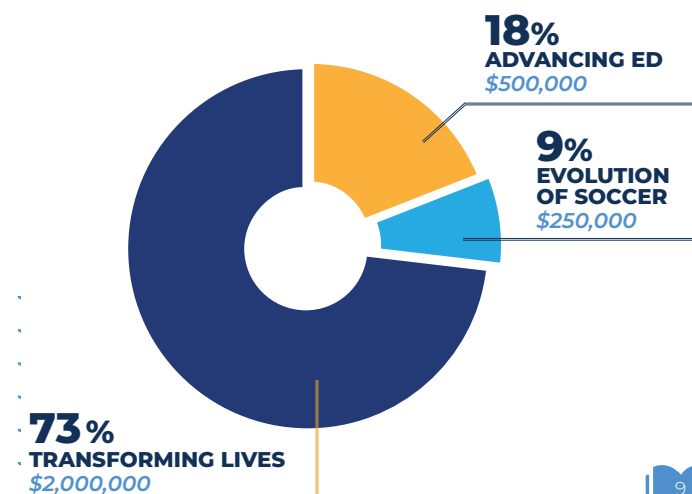
A new campaign designed to support YSC Academy's growing legacy of positive student outcomes and success, while connecting the greater community to the ongoing efforts and achievements of our students, faculty and staff.

YSC Academy is changing lives by providing student-athletes the opportunity to leverage their talent in soccer to receive a highly effective educational experience that prepares them for life beyond the pitch. The majority of YSC student-athletes would not have the opportunity to access and receive the private educational experience offered at YSC Academy without the financial support and generosity of our donors.

THE NEED

96% of students receive financial assistance

84% of total tuition cost is paid by financial assistance





THE YSC ACADEMY ADVANCEMENT FUND

ADVANCING THE 21ST CENTURY EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT

The curation of an effective educational approach and model which continues to be refined. We are an authority on specialized self-directed learning. The demands of a student body of widely variable strengths and the stresses created by students' irregular schedules, particularly recommend the adoption of proven and innovative pedagogical practices that enable personalized instruction and compel students' executive function. The opportunities made available by students' soccer acumen creates compelling freedom in the academic program, which allow for faculty to discover new ways to deliver material and assess student success.

Participate in the YSC Academy Legacy Campaign by making a gift to the YSC Academy Advancement Fund.

Funds invested go to resources and experiences for the betterment of all student-athletes, faculty and staff. Funds also support campus improvement in all areas for creating a better, safe and positive environment for personal development and growth. We thrive to enrich the lives of every student in becoming the better version of themselves as they face new challenges in the next phase/chapter of their lives either at the pro or collegiate level.



CHANGING LIVES AND TRANSFORMING OUR COMMUNITY

The “YSC Academy Effect”. YSC Academy elevates lives and transforms our community. Students contribute by joining and building a supportive and competitive culture, which strengthens bonds, builds character, equips academically and improves on-field performance.

YSC Academy graduates move on to top colleges, develop into competitive and equipped professionals, who will continue to meet the needs of a shifting workforce. Most importantly, the greatest return is that YSC Academy generates positive role models who grow into contributing members and leaders of our community.



THE EVOLUTION OF SOCCER IN THE UNITED STATES

Funds invested support the enrollment and participation of students in our world-class and unique soccer development program. YSC Academy generates top level collegiate and professional soccer players who continue to contribute to the rise and strengthening of Major League Soccer and the US Men’s National Team. Through the tireless work of the coaches, trainers and equipment managers, the Academy continues to attract the best talent in the region, in the US, and abroad. The game of soccer is elevated by their participation in an academic program integrated with their athletics, which approximates the experience of their international peers and includes remarkable resources in injury prevention, strength training, nutrition counseling, and sports psychology.

PRO PLAYER LEGACY OF LEADERSHIP.

FONTANA

“YSC Academy is a unique place that gave and provided me with opportunities, long last friendship, and most importantly family.”

JONES

“YSC Academy played a considerable role in my life and where I am today. I am giving back to YSC Academy because it helped me become the man I am today.”

MCKENZIE

“I'm giving back to YSC because this institution availed me opportunities I wouldn't have gotten anywhere else. They were my support system during times of hardship, as well as some of my toughest motivators when I needed an extra push.”

REAL

“I am giving back to YSC Academy because this is my school. Why is it my school? It gave me the platform to be a better version of myself.”

TRUSTY

“YSC created a pathway for me to succeed on the field and off the field. From the countless amount of resources they gave to me, it's only right to give back.”

BECOME A YSC ACADEMY INVESTOR.

**THEY WERE BORN WITH
THE GIFT OF SOCCER,
YOU CAN GIVE THEM
THE GIFT OF EDUCATION.**

Premier Circle of Investors

Investor benefits include invitation to exclusive YSC Academy and Union events, gatherings, and games and access to current and former players and coaches. Quarterly Premier Circle Academy updates and communications.

FLIGHT 1
\$150,000+

FLIGHT 2
\$100,000 - \$149,999

FLIGHT 3
\$25,000 - \$99,999

Advancement Fund Investors

Advancement Fund investors receive YSC Academy and Union gear, as well as invitations to events and games.

GOLD
\$10,000 - \$24,999

SILVER
\$1,000 - \$9,999

BRONZE
\$1 - \$999





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Founders Circle (\$250,000+)

A Naming Gift is a truly generous and transformative investment which will provide resources and returns for our school community for decades. Founder Circle Members are recognized and acknowledged for their leadership and financial commitment at the highest levels.

Sustainers Circle

A Planned gift will help YSC Academy meet our long-term goals and help provide for responsible and effective financial management. Sustainer Circle Members may benefit from making a personally significant gift, often larger than he or she thought possible. Enjoy the satisfaction of providing the means for the Academy to fulfill its mission while: saving on gift and estate taxes, reducing or avoiding capital gains taxes, passing assets on to family members at reduced tax costs, increasing income and effective rates of return.

Give and Go Monthly Giving Program

Flexible and Convenient Giving. Sign up once and support YSC Academy all year. Your gifts will be made automatically and at the frequency of your choosing. All Give and Go program members will receive YSC Academy and Union gear and will be entered in a Give and Go Union VIP package drawing.



EDUCATIONAL IMPROVEMENT AND OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP TAX CREDIT PROGRAMS

You or your business and/or organization may be eligible to invest in YSC Academy's students while earning substantial tax credits, by making a contribution to YSC Academy through Pennsylvania's Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) and Opportunity Scholarship Tax Credit programs. YSC Academy is officially approved by the state of Pennsylvania for the program's fiscal year 2018-19.

Learn more about Pennsylvania's EITC and OSTC programs.
<https://dced.pa.gov/>



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