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Developmentally Appropriate Soccer Activities for Young Children
"Unlocking the Game Within Every Child"

Soccer is one of the most popular games for children worldwide. Nearly 75% of all participants in the United States are under the age of 12. This workshop is designed to provide elementary school classroom teachers, physical educators, parents and others interested in working with children in a youth sport setting a format of developmentally appropriate activities and games. These activities and games have been constructed, studied and modified over the past decade. They allow all children an opportunity to participate in skill development, play in a safe and appropriate training space, make decisions and solve problems, and participate in small-sided games that directly relate to how children play. This is an activity based workshop and those attending are encouraged to participate. Infused with the physical activity is a research based philosophy designed to "unlock the game within every child." This format has led to the development of a coaching education curriculum sponsored by US Soccer.

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