



Ignatius Park College



LIVERPOOL FOOTBALL EXTENSION PROGRAM

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VISION

The Liverpool International Academy at IPC will create an environment that develops great athletes and great men through a high-performance program based on the values of Integrity, Pride and Commitment.

This partnership not only provides students with access to world-class football coaching but also strengthens their pathways and opportunities both on and off the pitch.

The collaboration truly highlights our shared values and commitment to inspiring confidence, community, and individual development amongst young people throughout sport, study and life.



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Liverpool Football Club International Academy (LFC IA) is the global youth coaching arm of Liverpool Football Club. Delivering the same coaching curriculum and techniques that are used with the Club's own young players at the Academy in Liverpool, LFC IA teaches young participants how to play 'The Liverpool Way'. It not only fosters student football development but caters for physical, psychological and social growth both on and off the pitch.

LFC IA is offered through the Physical Education (PE) Curriculum Extension Program at IPC in years 8, 9 and 10. Admission into the program is by application only. Applicants are assessed on a balance of footballing ability, sound academic performance and exemplary behaviour and effort across all areas of school life.



Students in year 7 are offered an experience of the program through the regular PE curriculum and will be eligible to trial for full LFC IA enrolment from Year 8. Students in Years 11 and 12 continue their football development as a co-curricular activity at the College.

Coaching and training the 'Liverpool Way' is predicated on the four core values of:

Ambition – Knowing that dreams are there to be achieved. Nothing is impossible.

Commitment – Put your heart and soul into everything – go that last mile to do things right.

Dignity – Earn respect through honesty and integrity.

Unity – Work together to bring the best out of each other.



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All practical football sessions are structured according to the LFC IA curriculum. This curriculum delivers Liverpool's globally recognised coaching philosophy, ensuring consistency with elite player development frameworks.

On the pitch, training focuses on the development of technical proficiency, tactical awareness, physical conditioning, and collaborative team dynamics under the guidance of our expert coaching staff.

Theory lessons are aligned to the Australian Curriculum and contextualised specifically for football. An overview of theory units includes

Year 8

Term 1: Food for football and wellbeing

Term 2: Alcohol and other drugs

Term 3: Benefits of physical activity in football

Term 4: Biomechanics and football

Year 9

Term 1: Nutrition for high performance

Term 2: Participation, collaboration and fair play

Term 3: Proficiency of movement

Term 4: Movement, concepts and strategies

Year 10

Term 1: Sports injuries, treatment and prevention

Term 2: Tournament organisation

Term 3: Fit for purpose

Term 4: Community recreation



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HEAD COACH

Paul Kohler



Paul has called Townsville home after retiring from professional football with teams including Sydney Olympic, Newcastle Jets and the North Queensland Fury. Paul is a qualified teacher, LFC IA accredited coach and FFA 'C' License holder. He is currently leading junior player development at MA Olympic FC and also provides coaching through private academy training in Townsville. He brings a wealth of experience and expertise to the LFC IA Program



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COMPETITIONS

Students in this program have the opportunity to be selected in College teams in competitions including:

- Bill Turner Cup (interstate U15 tournament)
- Annual Edmund Rice Education Australia National Football Tournament
- Townsville Secondary School football competitions and Gala Days
- Domestic development tours
- International tours* (pending availability)

Students also have the opportunity to trial for Northern School Region Representative teams to compete at Queensland Secondary School Sport Championships each year.



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COST OF THE PROGRAM

An annual fee of \$100 is payable for students enrolled in the LFC IA to cover the costs of training attire. Students are responsible for their own boots and shin pads. Any additional cost for competition, trips and tours are advertised to parents well in advance of the event.

HOW TO TRIAL

Trials will be held in Term 4 at Ignatius Park College

Successful applicants will be invited to join the program after these trials.

The following criteria are considered prior to inviting students to join the academy:

- Academic engagement, effort and behaviour
- Performance in training, trials, and the competitive environment.
- Capacity as a role model for younger students in all areas of college life.
- Level of coachability that will enable students to both seek and accept feedback throughout the program.

This program is a privilege and not a right. Students who are offered a place in the program are expected to maintain high standards in all areas of school life, in order to maintain their place in the program and the College reserves the right to move students out of the program either temporarily or permanently should they fail to meet expectations.

