



PSC - TALENTED PATHWAY RECOMMENDATION PROCESS

NLSA Talented Pathway Programs

NLSA offers the following programs as part of the [NLSA talented pathway](#):

- NLSA Provincial Teams Program (starts at U12)
 - Weekend camp format program (Outdoor)
- Indoor Performance Centres Program (starts at U13)
 - Weekly training program (Indoor)
- Canada Games (Cyclical)
 - year round program

NLSA Selection Process

Provincial Teams Program (U12)

There are two routes by which places on this program are allocated;

1. **By Invitation/Recommendation** - Each year at the end of the summer the NLSA will call out to clubs for ranking lists of their players (U11 in the summer of the current year that will then graduate in the fall into the U12 age group for the following season). The Manager of Soccer Operations in consultation with the Team Head Coaches (and with reference to player profiles) provides a ranked list of recommended players to NLSA Technical staff. See our Assessment Process for more information on player profiling criteria. The NLSA then determines how many players from each club they will invite to join the program and sends invitations to those players. There are no tryouts.
2. **Open Registration** - NLSA offers an open registration on a first come first served basis. Those that register before the caps are reached will have a spot on the program. There are no tryouts. NLSA posts information about this on their website.

Provincial Teams Program (U13)

Again there are two routes by which places on this program are allocated;

1. **By Invitation/Recommendation** - Based on observing the players in the previous U12 NLSA program environments the Technical Staff will determine which players to invite back. Clubs will be invited to recommend players only if they are NOT currently in NLSA programming and the club feels they are one of the top 20 players in the province. These players may then be invited in for a trial.
2. NLSA offers an open registration on a first come first served basis. Those that register before the caps are reached will have a spot on the program. There are no tryouts. NLSA posts information about this on their website.

Provincial Teams Program (U14+) & Canada Games

NLSA will hold tryouts in the Fall. Based on observing the players in the previous years NLSA program environments the Technical Staff will determine which players to invite back. Note on the designated Canada Games years NLSA will hold tryouts for the Canada Games program in the same way.