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RE: ODP Program

OSYSA/ODP Members:

I trust that you are staying Safe and Healthy during these unprecedented times. This afternoon US Youth Soccer will be announcing the cancellation of the 2020 Regional ODP Camps. The decision was made based on the guidance of medical and health professionals, as well as input from the hosting organizations. In addition to the cancellation of the ODP Regional ID Camp, Ohio South has recently been advised that the ODP Sub Regional event, planned for June 24th – 26th in Westfield, Indiana, has also been cancelled. Based on these decisions, I have made the difficult decision to cancel all remaining ODP programming for the 2019 – 2020 ODP season. Please know that this was a very difficult decision but was made in the best interest of player safety and well-being.

While we are extremely disappointed to announce this information, we are pleased to announce that we will be working with US Youth Soccer (USYS) to help plan and execute the new “ODP Inter-Regional Event” scheduled for November 2020. The details of this event are still emerging, but we can share that this will be an invitational process and will be comprised of players identified or selected from the following elements:

- Players who participated in any of the 2019 USYS ODP Inter-Regional Events
- Recommendations from Ohio South’s ODP Staff
- Recommendations from Ohio South’s Technical Director

Given the ODP Camp cancellations and recent changes to the youth soccer environment, steps are being taken to expand player opportunities within the Inter-Regional events. The identification and evaluation of players during the ODP Inter-Regional event will provide a direct pathway to the National Training Camp as well as other US Soccer Elite events.

On behalf of the Ohio South ODP Staff, coaches, and volunteers, we thank you for your support of Ohio South’s ODP program. We will continue to update you on activities as situations arise. Your patience during these extraordinary times is appreciated. I look forward to the times where we can “See you on the Fields”.

