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Important Club Information

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Important Web Addresses

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Youtube | www.youtube.com/olympiacoschicago
Team Stuff | www.teamstuff.com

Olympiacos Football Club | www.olympiacos.org/en

Illinois Youth Soccer Association | www.iysa.org

Northern Illinois Soccer League | www.northernillinoisoccerleague.com

Illinois Womens Soccer League | www.iwsl.com

US Soccer | www.ussoccer.com

US Youth Soccer | www.usyouthsoccer.org



Welcome

My name is John Kosmas, and alongside coaches Arnoldo Vasquez & Manolis Kazazis, we will be the administrator(s) / coach(es) for your son/daughter in our Olympiacos Chicago Thrylos Tots program. We look forward to working with the kids and we hope they are as excited as we are to see them grow playing soccer and making long-lasting friendships.

Thrylos (pronounced "Threelos") is the nickname given to Olympiacos FC - it means "Legend". Our Thrylos Soccer program provides a fun, safe and developmentally appropriate soccer environment for 3-7 year olds where they will learn appropriate skills to build a foundation for the game. We are focused on improving your child as a player and a person. The program uses a variety of fun games to delight and engage kids in physical activity while taking lots of touches of the soccer ball. The curriculum is professionally designed to promote player development, physical fitness, develop motor skills, and boost self-confidence personally as a player and with a soccer ball. The children will be trained by Olympiacos Chicago USSF Licensed coaches.

NOTE: Parents must be present at all times (please do not drop off the players and leave).

Schedule

Please attend the session you have signed up for (all schedules can be found within the Teamstuff application or here: <http://www.olympiacoschicago.com/thrylos-tots/>)

Please be there at practice at least 15 minutes prior to the scheduled start time. We only have 45 minutes for the kids and we would like to make sure we stay on schedule.

We are excited to have all the kids back and all the new kids that have joined us!

NOTE: In case we miss a practice due to inclement weather or for any other reason we will try to make it up.



Waiver

If you have not done so **YOU MUST** fill out the online waiver for this session here:

<http://www.olympiacoschicago.com/waiver/>

What to Wear, Bring With You

Every child must bring water or sports drink, a size 3 soccer ball, wear shin guards and outdoor/indoor (depending on session) soccer shoes each week. Other weather appropriate clothing to wear in addition to the MANDATORY uniform when it is cold outside (jacket, sweatpants, etc).

TEAMSTUFF – MANDATORY for ALL Communications!!!

You will receive an email from TEAMSTUFF to join the team. Please accept and sign-up. Also, download and install the TEAMSTUFF app on your phone! We use the app for communications between the club and parents outside of email and also has all the schedules on there. Please make sure you provide both email and phone number during the registration process so you can get both emails and text messages. You can also enter additional emails and phone numbers for the rest of your family members that you want to share your child's schedule with.

Uniforms

All players must purchase uniforms:

You **MUST** order the Jersey, Shorts and Socks and Team Sackpack as instructed when you registered for the session.

IMPORTANT: We try to teach our players as much as we can about being responsible so please make sure that you help them out in wearing and coming to practice with their Olympiacos approved uniforms. Red Olympiacos Jersey, Red shorts, Red socks.



Locations

HINSDALE

Winter - Our Thrylos Tots Winter program is held indoors at The Community Center gym.

The Community House, 15 W 8th St, Hinsdale, Illinois 60521

Spring / Fall - Our Thrylos Tots Fall program is held at the soccer fields at Veeck Park.

Veeck Park, 701 E Chicago Ave, Hinsdale, IL 60521

PARK RIDGE - Maine East HS, 2601 Dempster St, Park Ridge, IL 60068

Winter - Our Thrylos Tots Winter program is held indoors at the Maine East main gym. Park at the south parking lot and enter the doors from the trophy room. As soon as you pass the stairs there is a door to your right. Enter the door and go all the way to the back of the gym (east).

Spring / Fall - Our Thrylos Tots Spring / Fall programs are held at the south-west corner of Maine East at the corners of Potter & Mayfield.

PLAINFIELD - Plainfield Central HS, 24120 Fort Beggs Dr, Plainfield, IL 60544

Spring / Fall - Our Thrylos Tots Spring / Fall programs are held at the fields located south of Beggs Dr next to the baseball field.

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PLEASE HELP SPREAD THE WORD ABOUT OUR PROGRAM!



History of the club

Olympiacos was founded on March 10, 1925, in the port of Piraeus, when the members of "Piraikos Podosfairikos Omilos FC" (Sport and Football Club of Piraeus) and the "Piraeus Fans Club FC" decided, during a historical assembly, to dissolve the two clubs in order to establish a new unified one, with an emblem depicting the profile of an Olympic winner. Notis Kamberos announced the name Olympiacos and Michalis Manouskos completed it to its full name, Olympiacos Syndesmos Filathlon Pireos. The Andrianopoulos brothers, however, were those who significantly raised the reputation of the club and added glory to it. Members of a prosperous family, they made the name of Olympiacos known over Greece. Yannis, Dinos, Giorgos and Vassilis were the first to play. Leonidas made his appearance later on and played for a long time (1927–1935). The club's offensive line, made up of the five brothers, soon became legendary. Olympiacos immediately caught the attention of locals, back then their fanbase consisted mainly of the working class, with the team filling the Neo Phaliron Velodrome, later to be the Karaiskakis Stadium, and becoming Piraeus' champions for the seasons 1925, 1926, 1927.

In 1926, the Hellenic Football Federation was founded and organized the Panhellenic Championship in the 1927–1928 season, the first national championship, where the regional champions from EPSA league (Athens), EPSP league (Piraeus) and EPSM league (Thessaloniki) compete for the national title through play-offs, with Aris becoming the first champion. Up to 1958–59 the Panhellenic Championship was organized this way however the second season (1928–29) Olympiacos came to a dispute with the Hellenic Football Federation and did not participate in the championship with Panathinaikos and AEK Athens deciding to follow Olympiacos and doing the same. During that season they played friendly games with each other and together formed a group called P.O.K.. The fourth Panhellenic Championship took place in 1930–31 and found Olympiacos winning the Greek national league title for the first time in the history of the club. It was going to be a very successful era.

By 1940, Olympiacos had already won six championships in eleven seasons and by 1960 they had won fifteen championships in twenty-three seasons, as well as nine Greek Cups, making it for six doubles. The legendary Olympiacos team of the 1950s, with key performers such as Andreas Mouratis, Ilias Rossidis, Thanassis Bebis, Elias Yfantis, Kostas Polychroniou, Giorgos Darivas and Savas Theodoridis, won the title six consecutive times, from 1954 to 1959, combining it with the cup in 1957, 1958 and 1959 to celebrate the only third double in a row to have ever been won in Greek football history. Hence, Olympiacos is also known as Thrylos, meaning 'legend' [4], after this classic side of the 1950s which won a hatful of titles. It is worth mentioning that Olympiacos for several seasons was not allowed to make use of the Karaiskakis Stadium and, with permission from Panathinaikos, found a temporary home in Apostolos Nikolaidis Stadium, the ground of the eternal enemy.



Academies

Professional Greek soccer team, Olympiacos Football Club, has selected Chicago as the location for its first US soccer club and player development. The club has academies across the world, including Greece, Cyprus and Australia. As an official Olympiacos academy, players who attend the soccer club training standards set by the team, will adhere to the team's guidelines, and will wear the club's uniforms.

Young players will have a direct line to the Olympiacos FC resident academy in Greece and the possibility to be chosen for first team play. Actual club players, coaches and leadership will visit the local club to assist in enhancing the experience of our young players.

The philosophy governing the operation of the associated soccer clubs is the following:

- The proper sports and social education of the young athletes in conformity with the values and principles of Olympiacos FC.
- The training of the clubs' executives in accordance with the Academy's operational standards
- The provision of adequate information and support to parents who have a very important role in the formation of the young athletes' personality

Unification of the Academy and the Football academy

Since 2011, the Management of Olympiacos F.C. unified the organization and operation of the Academy and the network of soccer clubs.

Aim of the unification:

- To upgrade the cooperation of the networks of the Clubs of Football with the Academy
- To develop and adopt a single vision and operation philosophy
- To apply a single education, training, monitoring and evaluation system for the Academy and the Clubs of Football
- To upgrade the network of Clubs from a sports, commercial and social point of view
- To detect, evaluate and promote the young talented football players in Greece and abroad (US & Australia)



Olympiacos Soccer Club Chicago

Olympiacos Soccer Club Chicago is a family. Together with the administration, staff, players and all the fans, we aim to provide world-class football at a grassroots level of the game.

Branching off from the Greek parent club, Olympiacos FC, this is our first academy in the USA and it is an essential part of the Olympiacos FC youth academy globally. Players who attend the soccer school, adhere to the club's mantra, wear the club uniform and uphold "The Beautiful Game" in a respected and passionate way.

Young players have a direct access to the Olympiacos FC academy in Greece and the possibility to be chosen for academy first team play too!

The purpose of this club network isn't solely for commercial purposes, it's for children of all ages to take part and experience football and sports in general. The club fosters its players from young ages and looks to impart knowledge about the sport and also being a socially responsible citizen to the community.

