



Walsall Football Club Community Programme “Talented & Gifted” Development



Code of Conduct

Players on the Walsall FC Community Programme Talented & Gifted sessions are here by invitation only. They have been recommended by one of our Community Coaches whilst attending a Community Football Session.

The reason we are running Talented & Gifted Sessions is because we would like players of better ability to have the opportunity to train with similar ability players. This coaching will be more demanding of the players and hopefully, along with playing with good players, develop their skills further.

To get the most from the sessions we would like the children to follow these simple guidelines in our Code of Conduct:

- Timekeeping . Although traffic can be heavy please do your best to be on time for sessions so that players can get the most from the 1-hour session. If you are late please sign in with the coach as soon as you arrive.
- Clothing . Always have the correct clothing and footwear for the pitch and weather conditions.
- Organisation . Always bring with your equipment, shin pads and a drink for the session.
- Toilets . Please use the toilet before or after the session. Going during the session will take up time during the session and disturb the coaching.
- Behaviour . Good behaviour will be expected at all times. If a player shows disruptive behaviour we will speak to parents. If behaviour does not improve after this then the player may be removed from the session.
- Attitude . Concentrate during sessions. Show a good attitude and listen to the coach at all times. When it is time to train+try your best. This way, with the correct work rate, players will get the most from the sessions and improve.
- Matches . It is not seen as high priority that players just have a match+at these sessions. Matches will be played but they may be conditioned games+or, in a normal small sided game, the coach will stop games for coaching points.
- Centre of Excellence . As explained on the invitation letter, this is not a Centre of Excellence. There are obvious links to the Centre but there is no guarantee that a trial will be offered because you attend the Talented and Gifted sessions.
- SMILE . We take great pride in, not only offering good quality coaching, but making sure that all players leave sessions with a smile on their face and looking forward to next week!
- Questions . If any parents have questions or concerns please feel free to discuss these with the coach at the end of the session. If you prefer to do this in private you can also phone or email the office.

We hope that the Talented & Gifted sessions are fun, enjoyable and challenging for all players and look forward to seeing you here, working hard, each week. At the end of each course players may be given an invite to the next set of sessions. A place on future courses is not guaranteed but we hope that the level of all players is good enough so that we can invite you again.

We think a Code of Conduct for these courses is important because if a player meets the standards that get him a trial at the Walsall FC Centre of Excellence a higher standard of discipline will be required.