



U14 Girls
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PREMIER STATE CUP CHAMPS
#9 RANKING NORCAL

DAN BROWN'S COACHING BIO

Dan coached soccer at Oakmont High School for 4 seasons and has coached multiple U8-U17 teams with Granite Bay FC for the last 14 years. Dan has a USSF National D license and has received United Soccer Coaches goalkeeper and futsal diplomas. Dan participated in Albert Puig's Barcelona Level 2 Methodology course in order to develop a possession-based attacking style of play with his team. Dan represented Granite Bay FC for the NorCal Region 6 PDP coaching program and serves on Granite Bay's competitive coaching committee.

TEAM PHILOSOPHY

We want players to love soccer and to love their teammates. Our team name "Courage" defines our team philosophy. We will build a sisterhood among teammates where players inspire each other to take risks, bring out the best in each other, and never give up. We will instill a life-long love for soccer and help players develop a growth-mindset that will define who they are as players and who they want to become as people.

TRAINING PHILOSOPHY

Training is fast-paced and fun. We believe in the "1000 touch" principle and each training session will maximize touches to prioritize technical development. "Rondos" and small-sided positional games made popular by Barcelona, will be a training staple as they emulate game situations and emphasize 1st touch, quick decision making, movement off ball, and precise passing. Each training session will have a theme to maximize player focus and skill acquisition. Our team will train and compete year-round and will include futsal throughout the season.

STYLE OF PLAY

We play possession-based, attacking soccer. Every player attacks and every player defends. We will run a 4-2-3-1 formation with slight variations based on player strengths and game tactics. Principles of our style of play:

- We play "high pressure." Our striker is our first defender and battles to win balls in our opponent's defensive third. We pressure the ball aggressively and cut down passing options quickly.
- Our outside defenders engage in our attack and make aggressive runs to pass, shoot, and defend.
- Our keeper is a field player. We expect our defenders to utilize our keeper.
- We play possession-based soccer.
- We move "off-ball." 97% of soccer is played with the ball not on your feet.
- We emphasize speed of play, focusing on controlled 1st touch and quick 1 and 2 touch passing combinations.
- We play hard. We bump shoulders, we tackle, we get up when we get down.

COMPETITION

SUMMER (NPL QUALIFICATION)

- This summer our team is planning to enter the NPL qualification bracket. This will enable us to compete with the top 24-30 teams in Northern California

FALL & SPRING LEAGUE (PREMIER OR NPL LEVEL)

- We are working towards earning NPL status in 2021-2022. Next fall and spring we will either compete at the NPL or the Premier level.

TOURNAMENTS

- June 16-17 Davis Super Clasico
- July 24-25 San Ramon
- August 7-8 or August 14-15 Solano Surf Cup or Davis Premier Cup
- Sept. 25-26 Davis Premier or Surf Champions Cup
- October 30-31 Placer United Girls Cup

STATE CUP (PREMIER LEVEL)

1 Round of pool play (3 games) followed by elimination rounds

TEAM FEES \$700 PER SEASON

* I charge no training fees *

Registration:	\$200	Tournaments:	\$250
Uniform:	\$150	Futsal Gym Rental:	\$100
Training Fees:	\$0		