



## Smryna Soccer Club joins NASA Tophat Soccer Club

**ATLANTA, GA** (May 12, 2019) – NASA Tophat Soccer Club (“NTH”) and Smyrna Soccer Club (“SSC”), today announced a formal agreement to expand one of the nation’s strongest youth soccer programs.

NTH is a youth soccer organization committed to serving girls and boys soccer players throughout the Atlanta metropolitan area. The girls program operates under the NTH-Tophat brand and is a perennial top performer in state, regional and national play, regularly placing girls in the U.S. Youth National Team pools, and to top-tier collegiate women’s soccer programs. NTH-Tophat wins national awards as a top soccer club year in and year out. The boys program operates under the NTH-NASA brand and is a leader in boys and girls soccer in the southeast and nationally, developing both boys and girls for the U.S. National Team pools, professional soccer and many top-tier collegiate soccer programs.

Smyrna Soccer Club has operated in the Smyrna area for over 30 years and has grown to become a tremendous youth soccer program in the Smyrna area. Serving over 1700 players, Smyrna has developed many programs to support the needs of their members.

The combined club will offer programs at every level and for every youth age group from U3 little kickers up to U19. These include Girls Development Academy (US Soccer DA), Girls Development Player League (DPL), Boys Development Academy (US Soccer DA), Boys ECNL, SCCL, SCCL Premiere, Select, Academy, and Recreation.

Dave Smith, Executive Director of NASA TopHat, will serve as Executive Director for the expanded club which will serve over 5,500 youth players.

“I am very excited about the opportunity to combine with NASA Tophat,” said Shon Casey, President of Smyrna Soccer Club. “Our combined programs will provide the boys and girls in our community with a full range of teams and facilities to play and compete at every level.”

“This combination will offer boys and girls of all ages the training and development they need to excel. From recreational to academy to SCCL, through ECNL and U.S. Soccer Development Academy, we will have strength and teams for every level of player,” according to Dave Smith, Executive Director of NASA Tophat.

The NTH Smyrna branch is effective beginning this month with tryouts for the 2019-2020 season. Club leaders are managing transition activities, evaluating



programs and player pools and executing on the seamless integration of the clubs operations, including best utilization of club facilities and resources. The clubs also will be publishing FAQs to club members and holding town hall meetings.

Tryouts for academy, SCCL, SCCL Premiere, ECNL, DPL and DA programs will take place in May and June of 2019. For more information, visit: <http://nasatophat.com> and <https://tshq.bluesombrero.com/default.aspx?portalid=29069> .

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