

# Omaha United Soccer Club

## eNewsletter

**United As One.  
One Team, One Heart.  
We Are United.**



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## What's New at Omaha United?

Though our inaugural seasons didn't end the way we anticipated with the events of the world, we at Omaha United Soccer Club are so grateful for the faith you have put in us, the community that continues to develop, and the impressive achievements already gained by the club!

We now have an additional way of communicating with parents and players! Consider this our first edition of the *Omaha United Soccer Club eNewsletter!*

Our goal is to share updates and positive outcomes from our teams and players, and to continue to develop community and pride in the club.

We are always open to new ideas or suggestions for news – so keep those coming! And feel free to email us at any time with photos or announcements you'd like to share, at [OmahaUnitedSoccer@gmail.com](mailto:OmahaUnitedSoccer@gmail.com).

## We Celebrate High School Soccer!

Though the high school soccer season didn't exactly go as planned, Omaha United Soccer Club is proud to announce that members of the 01B, 02G, 03G, and 05G earned exciting spots at schools across Omaha and surrounding areas!

Check out our impressive list of players on the following page.

And help us celebrate our Seniors as they move on to new opportunities!

## Club is Recognized by Nebraska State Soccer!

After an extensive application, business planning, and interview process, Omaha United Soccer Club has officially been recognized as a member of Nebraska State Soccer Association (NSSA)!

Going forward, Omaha United Soccer Club qualifies for all sanctioned tournaments and State Soccer events without requiring any affiliations with other clubs or entities.

This is great news for our growing club!



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## High School Soccer (continued)

Check out the impressive list of high school players from Omaha United Soccer Club below!

2001B		2002G	
Name	School	Name	School
Prosper Beauchaine	Gretna High School	McKenna Bailiff	Ashland High School
Ryan Brown	Mt. Michael High School	Alyssa Crnic	Bennington High School
Misael Miranda	Omaha Bryan High School	Natalie Cummins	Concordia High School
Luis Montelongo	Omaha Bryan High School	Jaiden Thompson	Elkhorn High School
Daniel Yanez	Omaha Bryan High School	Ellen Payne	Elkhorn South High School
Jawa Haider	Omaha Central High School	Rylie Riepl	Gretna High School
Julian Mejia Cruz	Omaha Central High School	Hope Jensen	Lewis Central High School
Kevin Mejia Cruz	Omaha Central High School	Hannah Estrada	Lewis Central High School
Wilian Ramirez	Omaha Central High School	Kelly Kozol	Marian High School
José Rodriguez	Omaha Central High School	Clara Mann	Millard North High School
Carlos Vargas-Onfre	Omaha Central High School	Olivia Baker	Omaha Central High School
Angel Anguiano Bachez	Omaha South High School	Kennedy Appel	Skutt Catholic High School
John (Jack) Guinan	Roncalli Catholic High School	Alexandra Daub	Skutt Catholic High School
Kade Martin	Westside High School	Camille Duryea	Skutt Catholic High School
		Kaelyn Reeves	Skutt Catholic High School
		Cassidy Lang	Westside High School
2003G		2005G	
Name	School	Name	School
Makenzie Limbach	Bennington High School		
Riley Wilson	Elkhorn High School		
Olivia Adams	Elkhorn South High School	Taylor Ewer	Gretna High School
Sarah Turpen	Gretna High School	Anna Harris	Gretna High School
Regan Ehlert	Gretna High School	Malorie Maderak	Gretna High School
Rainna Daharsh	Gretna High School	Langley Riha	Gretna High School
Chaley French	Gretna High School	Page Monson	Lincoln East High School
Emma Kanne	Gretna High School	Lillie Shaw	Lincoln East High School
Lily Sullivan	Gretna High School	Cadie Bonneau	Lincoln Southeast HS
Abby Lefler	Marian High School	Kylee Kurtzer	Lincoln Southeast HS
Gracie Vokoun	Millard South High School	Ainsley Green	Marian High School
Emma Madej	Millard South High School	Lydia Mann	Millard North High School
Camila Munoz	Omaha Central High School	Michaela Bunz	Pius X High School
Breanna Perez	Omaha Central High School		
Mia Lang	Papio South High School		
Kara Lang	Papio South High School		
Victoria VanDyke	Skutt Catholic High School		

### We Value our Sponsors!

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## Promote Your Business Here!

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Omaha United Soccer Club has sponsorship opportunities available.

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## Our Team Formation Process

Nebraska State Soccer Association (NSSA) has implemented a temporary team formation process which applies to the 2020-2021 seasonal year. This change is due to the impact of COVID-19 on youth soccer in the State of Nebraska and throughout the United States.

This temporary policy applies only to teams competing in the 11U age division (2010 birth year) and older who are holding and/or participating in team formation events. As such, Omaha United Soccer Club has adjusted our team formation process for the upcoming soccer season to reflect these changes.

- Eligible existing Omaha United Soccer Club Select players (from 2019-2020) will be offered the opportunity to re-register for the same Select team for the 2020-2021 soccer season beginning June 1.
- Players/families will have until June 30 to accept the formal offer via email and re-register. Those who accept the offer and register will be part of Omaha United Soccer Club for the 2020-2021 season and will not be eligible to try out for other clubs.
- Team formation for those who do not re-register by June 30 will be held July 6-11, 2020. This includes:
  - New players to Omaha United who wish to participate in Select team formation for Omaha United.
  - Existing Select Omaha United players who wish to participate in team formation for other clubs (provided they did not already re-register for Omaha United).
  - Existing non-Select Omaha United players who wish to participate in Select team formation for Omaha United.

See greater detail and clarifications on the following page and at [OmahaUnitedSC.com](https://OmahaUnitedSC.com).



## 2020-2021 Team Formation Process (continued)

### EXISTING (2019-2020) OMAHA UNITED SOCCER CLUB PLAYERS

#### Registration Period for Returning 11U-19U Select Players (June 1-June 30, 2020)

- Between June 1 and June 30, 2020, offers will be extended to eligible players with birth years from 2010- 2002 who were registered with an Omaha United Soccer Club Select team during the 2019-2020 soccer year. These offers will be for the same Select team for the 2020-2021 soccer year.
- The re-registration offer will be provided to each player/family via email using official NSSA format, and a registration link will be provided.
- Those re-registering must first submit the required NSSA form to Danka Vargas by email at [OmahaUnitedSoccer@gmail.com](mailto:OmahaUnitedSoccer@gmail.com) on or before the assigned deadline on June 30. Families must copy their current coach on this email.
  - Families must also register their player online (using the registration link provided with the offer).
  - Once the player/family accepts the re-registration offer, the player is committed to Omaha United Soccer Club for the entire 2020-2021 soccer year and may not join another club or participate in team formation events for other clubs.
  - Offers to re-register with the same Select team as last year expire on June 30.
- Omaha United Select coaches will use the first three to six weeks of the new season (July 6-August 16) to evaluate their players and teams.
  - If, after the first three to six weeks of the season, coaches feel players would benefit from moving up or down a team, they will hold a meeting with the player and parents, and discuss potential roster changes, as approved by the Director.
- Players who were on an Omaha United Select team in 2019-2020 but would like to move to a Recreational team for 2020-2021 may do so by registering online without registering for the Select team.
- Players who do not want to re-register with their Select team and want to try out with another club may do so during the NSSA team formation window: July 6-11.

### NEW PLAYERS TO OMAHA UNITED SOCCER CLUB

#### Select Tryouts for 11U and ALL players from outside Omaha United Soccer Club (July 6-11)

##### 2010 birth year (11U)

- All 11U players who do not re-register with the club prior to June 30 or were not on an Omaha United Select team in 2019-2020 must register to attend tryouts.

##### 2009-2002 birth years (12U-19U)

- Team camps for 12U-19U Select teams will be held in lieu of formal tryouts. These will be conducted during the NSSA assigned team formation period (July 6-11). Any player from outside Omaha United Soccer Club can train with the team(s) in their age group as their tryout process, and will be evaluated.
- All players trying out for an Omaha United Soccer Club team who were registered with other clubs during the 2019-2020 soccer year must register for tryouts ahead of time, and formal offers will be made on July 12, 2020.

Our best wishes to all players during the competitive team formation process! We look forward to your continued growth with our club. Please speak with your coach, José, Danka or Jovan if you have any questions or would like to further discuss.



## Coaches' Corner: Find Out More about Our Coaches

**Name:** Elias Ramirez

**Which Omaha United Soccer Club teams do you coach?**

2009 Boys and 2010 Boys

**Why do you coach?**

I coach because I enjoy the player development process. Experiencing players grow into their personalities and witnessing their on and off the field success is my passion.



**What's your favorite soccer team?** Santos Laguna

**What's your favorite experience as a soccer coach?** The hours spent on the practice field improving that 1% every session.

**What's your favorite memory as a soccer player?** Playing in a tournament final where the center ref was Felipe Ramos Rizo, a referee that officiated in the 2002 FIFA World Cup!



**Name:** Daniel Vasquez

**Which Omaha United Soccer Club teams do you coach?** Previously, 2001 Boys, 2002 Boys; adding 2004 Boys

**Where are you from?** El Salvador

**Why do you coach?** To create strong and competitive players.

**What's your favorite soccer team?** Barcelona

**What's your favorite experience as a soccer coach?** Winning the KC Aldi Boys' tournament in PK shootout. The team scored the goal that took us to PKs in the last minute.

**What's your favorite memory as a soccer player?** Team dinners. District goal.

## Impact Players! *Sponsorship Opportunity*

In future volumes of this newsletter, we will be featuring players who made an impact on or off the field. We are excited to **feature our sponsors** as part of the *Impact Players* announcements.

We're looking forward to the return of youth soccer! In the meantime, Director José Vargas has been posting Coaches' Challenges on Instagram, and all players are encouraged to master the challenges, record, and post them, **tagging the club @OmahaUnitedSC!**

Let's see how many participants we can get for upcoming challenges! It's not too late to complete the first two!

Stay safe, stay well, and keep training! Remember, every minute spent training during this time will only serve to make the transition back to field play easier.

We miss you and look forward to being together as a soccer family again soon!