

## PRO ACADEMY TOUR 2025

Tuesday August 5<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2012 & 2014 Boys

NCE Soccer will be inviting selected players to attend the 2025 Pro Academy Tour in England to compete against some of the best professional academies in the UK and others from around the world. We will be taking 2 x boys teams to represent NCE and train with top academy coaches as well as play against elite programs.



INTERNATIONAL SELECT

'NCE is committed to providing the best possible development opportunities for our players and we hope that the experience of competing at the international level will provide selected players with the inspiration necessary to greatly accelerate their own development.'

John Curtis, Founder



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**From:** John Curtis **Re:** NCE Select Squad Invitation Pro Academy Tour 2025

#### DEAR PARENT:

I am delighted to extend an invitation to your son to participate in the 2025 Pro Academy Tour in England. He has been selected based on hIS performances across various NCE programs, following recommendations and feedback from our coaching staff.

The Pro Academy Tour is centered around a first-class tournament featuring some of the best academy programs in the UK. In 2024, our boys' and girls' teams played against professional clubs like Leicester City, Nottingham Forest, Sunderland, Arsenal, Aston Villa, Brighton & Hove Albion, West Ham United, and many others from across the UK. Our aim is for the players to experience European academy football and, hopefully, inspire them to bring the lessons they've learned back to the US.

In 2025, our group will spend 1 night in Central London, before the group move up to Hertford, where the supporters will stay in a top-class hotel, while players, staff, and chaperones will stay at Haileybury School. Before the tournament, we will have the chance to practice together as well as train with professional coaches. Off the field, we will be able to visit famous cities, tour the sights, and even enjoy a stadium tour.

We will play at least one friendly game to prepare before starting the tournament on our fifth day in England. Most of our teams will play 10 games over a 3-day period, with NCE staff involved in coaching and managing the squads.

Based on feedback from players and supporters, it is highly recommended that all traveling players attend our Pro Pathway Residential Camp from July 20th to 25th and the Summer Showcase that follows. This will give players the opportunity to train and play together before departing for England on August 5th.

Further information on the tour can be found on the following pages, including the itinerary, payment schedule, refund policy, group flight details, and even travel insurance options. We hope you, your player, and your family will join us on this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,

John Curtis

CEO and Founder National Center of Excellence

## **EVENT INFORMATION:**

#### DATES:

Tuesday August 5th to Wednesday August 13th

## WHO IS INVITED?:

Players born in 2012 and 2014 birth years.

#### SQUAD SIZES:

Boys U13/2012 – (11-a-side) - Roster of up to 18 Players Boys U11/2014 – (9-a-side) - Roster of up to 16 Players

#### PLAYER'S COMMITMENT:

Roster spots will be filled on a first come first served basis from the select pool of invited players. Players need to complete the online registration by clicking on the link in your family portal and making a deposit payment to secure their place on the tour.

## HOW DO PARENTS AND SUPPORTERS SIGN UP FOR THE TOUR?:

You will need to add any additional travelers to your family portal as 'FANS' which will then allow you to register for the respective 'PARENTS AND SUPPORTERS TOUR' providing there is still space available. Please note that any siblings who might already be players within the NCE programs will need to be added as a FAN in your family portal to see the supporter tour option. We also welcome those supporters who choose to travel independently to the group and attend the matches our teams play but please note we can not provide tickets to live games, transportation or access to other events unless you are on the official NCE Supporters tour.

#### **PARENT CHAPERONES:**

We have a limited number of places for Chaperones who would like to provide support to the NCE Staff and stay with us at Haileybury school. All chaperones need to complete a background check and go through Safe Sport Training. If you are interested in this option please contact the NCE office. The cost for chaperones is \$2,250 for the week and includes all meals at Haileybury school.

### LAND COST PER PERSON:

\$2,995 per player includes everything listed in the tour itinerary.

Additional travelers and supporters' price is \$2,995 per person

The cost for chaperones is **\$2,250** per person.

Discount of \$250 for the 4th member from the same family and any additional.

Payment plans are outlined on the following pages.

Prices are based on players sharing rooms with other players. Supporter fees are based on double occupancy with single supplements available at an additional cost of **\$500**.

#### FLIGHT BOOKING AND PRICES:

Flights are NOT INCLUDED in the above prices. See document titled 'Flight Information' on the Tour page. Travelers are responsible for booking their own flights but must use Consolidator Webfares if you want to access our group flight. Supporters who fly independently you will be responsible for meeting up with the group in England. Any players not traveling with supporters or parents will be required to travel on the group flight with NCE Staff and have a notarized travel consent form.





## **TOURNAMENT FORMAT:**

The Haileybury Tournaments are based on the following format:

- Pre-Tournament game/games between team/s as preparation for Haileybury event.
- Eight team tournament with every team playing against each other,
- Seven 36-minute games in the group
- Three games on day one and four games on day two,
- At the end of day two the teams split into two groups of four,
- Each group of four plays semi-finals and finals on day three,
- Each team plays two games of 40 minutes on day three.

## **PREVIOUS BOY'S TEAMS :**

Arsenal F.C., Aston Villa Barnsley, Birmingham City F.C., Bonivital SC (Canada), Brighton & Hove Albion, Bristol City, Burton Albion, Chelsea, Colchester Utd, Derby County, Dundee United (Scotland), St. Kevin's (Ireland), FC Toreros (Japan), Go Pro Academy (Dubai), Honk Kong FC, ISFA, Kilmarnock (Scotland), Kyoto FA (Japan), Leicester City, Manchester Utd, Millwall, Northampton Town FC, Nottingham Forest, Oxford United, Port Vale, Stoke City, Sheffield Wednesday, Watford, West Bromwich Albion.

## PRO ACADEMY TOUR ITINERARY 2025:

#### TUESDAY AUGUST 5TH

 PPM – Check in for group flight and head to departure lounge to then fly through the night to arrive in England on following day. Supporters traveling independently to meet at UK airport or join the group in London

#### WEDNESDAY AUGUST 6TH

- · AM Land in UK and go through customs and immigration to meet transportation
- PM London sightseeing tour then transfer to City Center Hotel.
- PPM Dinner and team meeting to go over the week's schedule.

#### THURSDAY AUGUST 7TH

- AM Breakfast then head to stadium Tour.
- PM Transfer to Hertford 25 miles North of London. Parents check into hotel and players settle into Haileybury accommodation and training session
- PPM Dinner and team meetings

#### FRIDAY AUGUST 8TH

- · AM Breakfast then morning training session with Pro Coaches
- PM Afternoon session with Pro Coaches
- PPM Dinner with the group & team meetings





## PRO ACADEMY TOUR ITINERARY 2025:

#### SATURDAY AUGUST 9TH

- AM Friendly Game
- PM Watch a live professional match
- PPM Dinner and team meetings then free time before lights out.

#### SUNDAY AUGUST 10TH

- AM Tournament game #1
- PM Lunch then Tournament game #2 and game #3.
- PPM Dinner and team meetings then free time before lights out.

#### MONDAY AUGUST 11TH

- AM Tournament game #4 and game #5
- PM Lunch then Tournament game #6 and game #7
- · PPM Dinner and team meetings then free time before lights out

#### TUESDAY AUGUST 12<sup>™</sup>

- AM Semi Final game then final or consolation game.
- PM Lunch then free time with parents and supporters.
- · PPM Dinner and end of tournament event..

#### WEDNESDAY AUGUST 13TH

• Transfer to airport for departure to United States.





## PLAYER TOUR INCLUSIONS:

We will receive our final schedule approximately 2 weeks prior to travel dates. All details on the confirmed itinerary will be communicated to travel group along with further information such as packing lists, FAQ's and general information.

## Meals and Accommodations in London & Haileybury

- 1 nights at London Hotel with dinner and breakfast daily.
- 6 nights at Haileybury school with dinner, lunch and breakfast daily.
- Players will share a room with 1 or 2 teammates in double or triple rooms.

## Transportation

Private bus for all airport transfers & travel within the UK.

## Excursions

- Ticket to live professional game. Fixtures will be determined closer to the departure date. Specific game requests might include an additional fee.
- Stadium Tour at a top London club.

### Soccer Program

- Training sessions with coaches from professional clubs.
- Games against local opposition as pre-tournament preparation.
- Tournament registration fee.
- Tournament games.

## **General Expenses**

- All your Driver, Bus & Transportation expenses as per your itinerary.
- All taxes & VAT included.

## NOT INCLUDED IN COST:

- International Flight.
- International Uniform Package (Approximately \$300)
- Spending money.
- Travel Insurance.
- Other entry tickets at visits.
- Everything not included above.
- Cancelation Insurance.



## SUPPORTERS TOUR DETAILS:

**COST: \$2,795pp** Based on two people sharing. Single rooms are available for an additional **\$500** per person. There may also be a limited number of family rooms with an additional charge based on availability.

## What's Included

- 1 Night stay in Central London hotel. Bed and breakfast.
- 6-Night stay in hotel location in Hertford or location within driving distance to fields. Bed and breakfast.
- Hertford is a five-minute drive from Haileybury School Playing Fields.
- Price is based on double occupancy in either a twin or double room.
- Private bus for all airport transfers & travel within the UK.
- Tickets to a live professional game. Fixtures will be determined closer to the departure date. Specific game requests might include an additional fee.
- Stadium Tour of a top London Club
- Sightseeing in London City Center

Please note that our group has only a limited number of rooms at the group hotel. We encourage supporters to secure their place early to avoid disappointment.



## NOT INCLUDED IN COST:

- International Flights.
- Evening meals & lunch.
- Alcoholic Beverages.
- Travel Insurance.
- Other entry tickets at visits.
- Everything not included above.
- Cancelation Insurance.

## FLIGHT INFORMATION AND CONTACT

#### **GROUP FLIGHT INFORMATION:**

All independent travelers are required to meet up with the group at their own expense and need to confirm travel details as soon as possible with the NCE team. Any players not traveling with supporters or parents will be required to travel on the group flight with NCE Staff and sign a travel consent form. Independent travelers may also secure their own seats on the same flight the group is traveling on by contacting the airline directly.

The group flight will be booked through our Consolidator Webfares contact Klaus Biber. Please contact Klaus using the information below to secure the group option.

#### **Group Flight Departure**

Delta Flight #3 on Tuesday Aug 5<sup>th</sup> out of JFK at 10.00pm Arrives Wednesday Aug 10<sup>th</sup> at 10.15am am into London Heathrow Airport, UK.

#### **Group Flight Return**

Delta Flight #4 on Wednesday Aug 13<sup>th</sup> out of London Heathrow Airport, UK at 5.50pm Arrives Wednesday Aug 13<sup>th</sup> at 9.25pm into JFK

Total for group flight option with taxes and fees is \$1,044.00 per person and includes a checked bag. Please note that airlines reserve the right to change times of departure and return

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

\$100 deposit per person is due on registration by calling Consolidator Webfares
February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025 - Book flight with Consolidator Webfares or risk losing group flight place.
April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025 - Names as on the passport, TSA information and full payment are due.
May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025– Any seats still held and not cancelled on or after this date will result in the full fare being due or a penalty of \$1,107.00 per seat not released and not ticketed

Please note this group flight will only be available should a minimum of 10 passengers register. If there are less than 10 requested seats Consolidator Webfares will request seats at current market value. NCE Staff coaches will be flying on the above flight and all players traveling alone will be required to take this flight

#### CONSOLIDATOR WEBFARES INC:

The group flight can only be booked through our Consolidator Webfares contact Klaus Biber. Please contact Klaus using the information below to secure the group option.

Please ensure you email names and dates of birth before calling with deposit payment AND inform Consolidated Webfares of your NCE tour group as they are working with multiple teams.

**E mail:** <u>klaus@consolidatorwebfares.com</u> **Phone:** 888.316.7514 x7

#### **PASSPORTS**:

You must have a current passport which is valid for at least 6 months after your return date. If your passport expires within 6 months of our return date you should immediately look into securing a renewal as there is a current backlog on passports. If you are traveling on a non-U.S. passport you must check with the destination country to clarify if you require a special travel visa.

## **PAYMENT PLAN**:

The cost for players is **\$2,995** and includes everything listed in the tour itinerary. Players will be expected to room together in rooms with other players.

The tour price for supporters is only **\$2,795** per person based on double occupancy with single supplements available at an additional cost of **\$500**.

We also offer a discount of \$250 for the 4th member from the same family and any additional.

	PLAYER \$'S	SUPPORTER
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Deposit*	\$600.00	\$600.00
1 <sup>st</sup> payment due	\$600.00	\$600.00
2nd payment due	\$600.00	\$600.00
3 <sup>rd</sup> payment due	\$600.00	\$600.00
Balance	\$595.00	\$595.00
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\*\$600 deposit is required per traveler to secure a spot. Spots are not confirmed without receipt of the deposit.

## REFUND POLICY AND CANCELLATION:

We understand that situations may change, so we offer a generous refund policy for the land package. The following refund dates only apply to the land portion of the tour. Flights are booked separately and the responsibility of the player and/or supporter.

We encourage all tour participants to consider travel insurance to cover issues such as injury which means a player is unable to join the tour. You may also want to consider purchasing the CFAR (cancel for any reason) option through our Insurance partner with more details provided once you complete the registration.

WITHDRAWAL DATE	REFUND AMOUNT OWED	
150+ days out	100% refund*	
90 to 149 days prior to departure	75% refund*	
60 to 89 days prior to departure	50% refund*	
less than 60 days prior to departure	0% refund*	
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\*All refunds will be issued less **\$500** per person, which will act as the service fee.



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Congratulations on being selected for the Pro Academy 2025 NCE Select Squad.