

CREATING YOUR OWN GAME MODEL

Developing Team Principles That Guide Players
Decision Making

My Objective For You Today

Give an example of a reflection process for you to better understand your team environment and develop a methodology to enhance the experience of those involved.

What is a **SOCCER ACTION**?

SOCCER ACTION can be defined as **C, D, and E**

C

D

E

ALL ACTIONS MUST BE IN THAT ORDER

SOCCER ACTION...

WHAT YOU COACH IN A SOCCER ACTION:

P

M

D

S

SOCCER ACTION...

There is an **F** component to the game of soccer:

Which is defined as the ability to perform **Soccer Actions** repeatedly at a high level.

X = High level **Soccer Actions**

x = Low level **Soccer Actions**

Sometimes players look like this:

x....X....x....x...x...X...x..x.X.X...x...

In a perfect world players look like this:

X....X....X....X...X...X...X..X.X.X...X...

A realistic goal would be to look like this:

x....X....X...X.x...X...X..X...x.X...XX.

The Four Moments of the Game

1)

2)

3)

4)

Considerations When Developing a Game Model

1)

2)

3)

4)

Consideration 1:

- *How Many Players on the Field?*
- *Do you play with offside?*
- *One ball? Two teams?*
- *Goals on opposite sides of field?*
- *Substitutions rules?*
- *Are you allowed to tie games?*
- *What happens when you get yellow cards?*
- *Do injured players have to come off the field?*

Consideration 2:

- *Games per week?*
- *Do you make the schedule?*
- *How many teams total?*
- *Points awarded based on opponent?*
- *How do you qualify for playoffs?*
- *Where has your team finished in the past?*
- *School or club/team rules and restrictions?*
- *Do some games matter more than others?*
- *Reserve/JV teams?*

Consideration 3:

- *What is the perception of the players, parents, and other contributors?*
- *How involved are the parents and other contributors?*
- *Whose opinions do your players value?*
 - *club/former coaches, family, friends, etc...*
- *Players feelings/commitment to the sport?*
- *Do your players have a Growth or Fixed Mindset?*

Consideration 4:

- How knowledgeable are you? What soccer references do you have?
- What are you willing to learn?
- How much time do you have to improve yourself in coaching?
- What other duties do you have?
- How much time do you have for your players?
- WHY ARE YOU COACHING?

Examples of Considerations

Examples of Game Models

Questions

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