



## Keystone FC South & Panthers United SA set to announce Strategic Collaboration

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Keystone FC South and Panthers United Soccer Association are excited to announce the development of a strategic collaboration between their two clubs. Beginning this summer, athletes and coaches from both clubs will come together and operate as one with common goals of developing high quality players and providing athletes with a comprehensive youth soccer experience.

[Keystone FC South](#), an extension of Keystone FC, based out of York, PA, was [established](#) earlier this year with the ultimate goal of bringing Keystone FC's high quality programming to the Southern Pennsylvania/Northern Maryland region. The establishment of Keystone FC South is part of the club's well thought out strategic plan and is both a commitment and first step in developing a long term presence in this region.

[Panthers United Soccer Association](#), also based in York, PA, was established in 1993 as a local youth soccer organization. The club's mission is to promote and further soccer in York County, providing overall player development and opportunities for all ages and playing abilities.

Leadership from both Keystone FC South and Panthers United SA are confident that by coming together and utilizing the talents, facilities and resources from both clubs; athletes and coaches within the York area and surrounding region will have even greater opportunities for development. Additionally, both clubs look forward to not only collaborating, but ultimately strengthening the presence of Keystone FC South in York, PA and the surrounding region.

"Keystone FC South is excited to announce our collaboration with Panthers United SA. This brings together two clubs with a shared vision of a comprehensive soccer experience in South Central Pennsylvania, with the goal of developing high quality soccer players," said Keystone FC South Director of Coaching, John Lapore. "Both clubs view this as a beginning to unifying the soccer landscape in York and surrounding counties."

"There are a lot of similarities and synergies between our two clubs, and this partnership will only help to increase player and coaching development, as well as provide even more quality programs for players of various skill levels in the region," said President of Panthers United SA, Curtis Bolig.

Keystone FC South and Panthers United SA are looking forward to both immediate and long term benefits of this collaboration. **Those benefits include:**

- Bringing together teams and coaches from both clubs (U9-U19)
- An enhanced youth development program for athletes ages 6-8
- Joint ID Clinics to access and evaluate development



- Providing coaches with enriched age-appropriate curriculum and structured, regular coaching education opportunities
- Sharing equipment, facilities, and training resources
- Greater access to opportunities for training and competition at the highest level
- Providing athletes in the Southern Pennsylvania/Northern Maryland region with a more robust development program to prepare them for future endeavors both on and off the soccer field

For more information regarding the strategic collaboration between Keystone FC South and Panthers United SA, including player registration and Player ID clinic information, please join Keystone FC Director of Coaching: Jeff Linnenbach and Director of Coaching for South: John Lapore for one of Keystone FC South's scheduled open houses.

Open houses will take place via Zoom conferencing on the following dates:

- **Wednesday 6/10, 7:00-8:00 pm**
  - [CLICK HERE](#) to join the open house.
- **Friday 6/12, 7:00-8:00 pm**
  - [CLICK HERE](#) to join the open house.
- **Saturday 6/13, 1:00-2:00 pm**
  - [CLICK HERE](#) to join the open house.

If you'd like to take part in one of the above open house dates, simply select "CLICK HERE" (under the date of your choosing) to be directed to the open house via Zoom conferencing on the date and time that you choose.

In addition to the information above, as details regarding the collaboration continue to be finalized, we look forward to communicating them with parents and players. Information moving forward will be emailed to club parents and posted on Keystone FC's social media platforms and website.

[CLICK HERE](#) to view an FAQ to help answer any questions you might have.

If you have any additional questions not addressed in the FAQ or would like additional information please contact [jlapore@keystonefc.com](mailto:jlapore@keystonefc.com).