

SARACENS KENT

U16 DPP Rugby Nominations



Process Overview

This form is for use by Kent Club Coaches/Teachers, it enables you to nominate boys in the U16 age group into the Saracens Kent U16s Developing Player Programme (DPP) for season 2019-20.

You are being asked to advise which players you believe should have a chance to be involved in the programme. You can nominate UPTO 4 players for inclusion. If you strongly and genuinely believe this 4 player restriction is too aggressive for your club/school then please discuss that with the Saracens Kent DPP (Developing Player Programme) Administrator, Kirstin Hoyle, in the first instance, contact e-mail:-

saracens-kent-dpp-admin@kent-rugby.org;

Please remember the aim of the DPP is to identify the top 10% of the county's registered playing population for this age group. Therefore, the key message is PLEASE do not feel the need to use your full quota for the sake of it, instead only nominate those players you truly feel meet the nomination criteria (guidelines for selection criteria below)

Process Admin and Timetable

For each player you wish to nominate, please provide:

Name of Player
Date of Birth

Preferred playing position

Address

Parent / Guardian Email Contact Details (at least one email address, ideally two and please ensure the details are correct as this is our means of communication with players/parents. Please **DO NOT** supply school e-mail address for the players themselves. These are 'bounced back' to us by the school's own e-mail filters with the result that time is wasted by the administration department in trying to establish an alternative contact e-mail address.

Parent / Guardian Telephone Number.

Please have this information to hand for all boys you wish to nominate before continuing to our online form.

The Process will run as follows:

1. Nominations from Club Coaches to be completed and submitted by end of day on Monday 22 July 2019.
2. E-mail sent to parents sent in last full week of July 2019, inviting son to an assessment sessions to be held on Sunday 04 August 2019, during the day and Wednesday 07 and 14 August 2019 in the evening.
3. Players to be notified as to whether they are selected for U16s DPP for remainder of the season or whether they have **NOT** been successful, by 31 August 2019. Please ensure players/parents are aware that we cannot provide individual feedback following these assessment sessions. The numbers involved are too great to be able to do this.

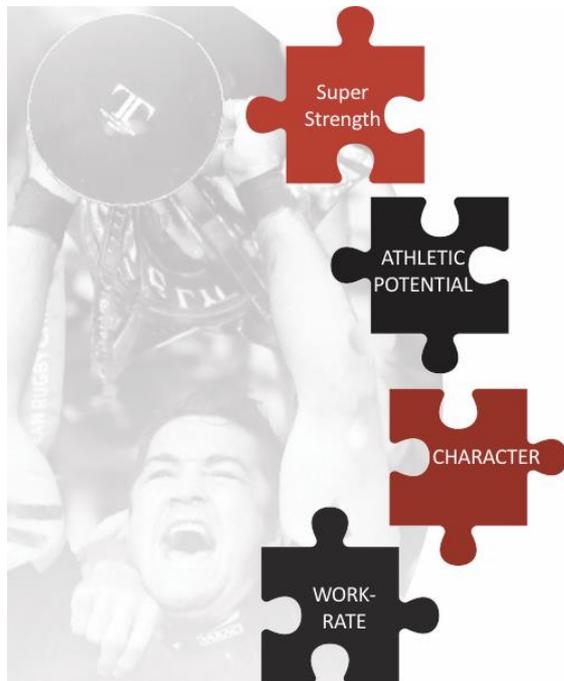
In exceptional circumstances a player may be released from the programme at any point if we believe the demands of the programme are too much for that player. The aim of the assessment sessions is to identify players who have improved and progressed with the aim of including them in the U16s DPP season for 2019/20. There will also be the opportunity for teachers to nominate additional boys for inclusion in the U16 programme at the appropriate time.

DPP Selection Criteria

In asking you to nominate players for the U16 DPP we are asking you to consider the 4 elements shown in the Saracens Pathway Criteria below. We have also included further Nominations Guidance below showing specific skill sets relevant for U16s to help guide your decisions.

Please also remember this is the DEVELOPING player programme and NOT the DEVELOPED player programme. Therefore, any decision is not necessarily as straightforward as who are your best players now.

Saracens Pathway Criteria



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| SUPER-STRENGTH | ATHLETIC POTENTIAL |
| The ability of an individual player to influence a training session or match by doing something special, positively and consistently. | A player that moves efficiently and demonstrates balance, co-ordination, speed and/or power – and what can they potentially achieve in the future with correct guidance? |
| CHARACTER | WORK-RATE |
| An energy giver who accepts pressure and rises to the challenge from setbacks and demonstrates the Saracens Values; Honesty, Discipline, Work-Rate and Humility | Fundamental value to develop and succeed. Ability to work hard all the time and hungry to improve in all areas on and off the pitch. |

Further Nominations Guidance

DPP Player Skill Set

Specific to U16's

GOOD GAMES PLAYER:

Feel, Time on Ball, understanding Specific XFactor in games

FOUNDATION SKILL SET:

Ability to pass, kick, run, tackle and breakdown skills

COMMUNICATION:

Small talk, Energy, General volume in games, Leadership qualities and social skills off the pitch

Strength & Conditioning:

Movement efficiently, work-rate and speed

READY TO NOMINATE? ACCESS OUR ONLINE FORM HERE!