

John Grayson

Soccer Coach and Clinician

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I have played soccer at all levels from schoolboy up to semi-pro leagues in the North-East of England. As a teenager I played in the same youth team as Bryan Robson, who later went on to captain Manchester United and the English National team. I have been involved with soccer all of my life as a player, coach, and referee. I am passionate about the sport of soccer, and sharing my knowledge with the upcoming generation of soccer players in the USA.

Qualifications

- F.A. Leaders Award (England)
- F.A. Preliminary Coaching Award (England)
- Everton F.C. Youth Academy Development Program (England)
- U.S.C. Premier Diploma
- U.S.C. Advanced National Diploma
- U.S.C. Advanced Youth Diploma
- U.S.C. National Goalkeeping Diploma
- U.S.C. 7 v 7 and 9 v 9 Diplomas
- Coerver Youth Diploma
- Certified in First Aid and C.P.R.
- CORI and SORI checked
- NFHS Concussion awareness certificate

Coaching Experience

- I started coaching in 1986 while working as a part-time Youth Leader in Nottinghamshire, England.
- Worked as Director of Camps on summer camps for MLS Camps from 1996 to 2002.
- Coached in Texas, New York, New Jersey, Georgia, Tennessee, Alabama, Connecticut, Wisconsin, Illinois, Maine and Massachusetts.
- Worked as Residential Coaching Consultant for Medway Y.S.A Fall 1997, and was Player Development Officer for Westford Y.S.A. from Spring 1998 to Spring 1999, Marblehead Y.S.A. Fall 1999, and Sharon Y.S.A. from Spring 2000 to Fall 2001.
- Voted Coach of the Year for Massachusetts by MLS Camps in 1999.
- Worked as a freelance coach and clinician since 2002.
- Player Development Officer for Dedham Youth Soccer 2002 – 2006.
- Player Development Officer for Parkway Youth Soccer 2006 – date.
- Clinician for Cambridge Youth Soccer 2008 – date.
- GK clinician for MASS Athlete Performance 2019 – date.
- GK Coach Rivier University Men's team 2021 – date.
- In the Summer, as well as running my own clinics, I serve as a clinician for Lexington United Soccer Club and GK Coach for Noble and Greenough School in Dedham and Dexter Southfield School in Brookline.