RE: Educational Absence Verification – 2026/27 DPL Events

To Whom It May Concern,

The Development Player League (DPL) is an all-female national youth soccer league with member clubs and conferences across the United States.

This letter serves as formal verification that the student is participating in an official Development Player League event during the 2026/27 season.

Throughout the season, DPL players may be required to travel outside of their local area to participate in league events, national showcases, championship events, and DPL Perform International programs. These events form an important part of the DPL player development experience and provide players with opportunities to compete, train, and develop in high-level environments.

2026/27 DPL Event Calendar

- **DPL Event – Provo, Utah**
  October 1–4, 2026
- **DPL Event – Mesa, Arizona**
  November 19–22, 2026
- **DPL Perform International – London, United Kingdom**
  November 22–29, 2026
- **DPL Event – Tampa, Florida**
  January 7–11, 2027
- **DPL Event – Tucson, Arizona**
  February 25–28, 2027
- **DPL Perform International – Nice, France**
  March 20–27, 2027
- **DPL Event – Richmond, Virginia**
  April 22–25, 2027
- **DPL Finals – June 2027**
  June 22–27, 2027

Participation in these events requires players and their families to travel, which may result in players missing scheduled school days.

DPL events provide structured competitive and developmental opportunities for players from across the country. Players compete against other DPL member clubs and participate in environments designed to support their continued development within the game.

Players selected for **DPL Perform International** will also participate in an international player development experience. These programs include structured training sessions, competitive matches, cultural experiences, and opportunities to work within international soccer environments.

We respectfully request that schools consider absences associated with official DPL participation as excused educational absences where permitted under the school's attendance policies.

Families and players are responsible for communicating directly with their school and teachers in advance of travel and for arranging completion of any assignments, coursework, or assessments missed during the absence.

If additional verification of a player's participation in a DPL event is required, please contact the Development Player League.

Regards,

DPL Leadership Committee