



**COMMUNITY SPORTS
& EDUCATION
TRUST**

PDC
PLAYER DEVELOPMENT CENTRE



Ty joined Watford FC Community Sports & Education Trust Player Development Centre (PDC) programme during the 2019/2020 season following a successful trial.

After impressing the PDC coaches with his football ability & desire to improve, Ty was soon moved up an age group at Watford PDC to further challenge him. Ty was then rewarded with an initial trial at Watford FC's Academy where he was then offered an extended trial before signing permanently during the 2020/2021 season.

Promises

Deliver accessible football and sporting activities at affordable prices.

Ty's parents further explain the journey from PDC to Academy football.

"PDC is in a good location for grassroots players and is a very affordable price.

My child was playing the year up at the PDC, his coach gave him the opportunity to go and trial at the academy with his age group to see how he got on, they offered him an 8-week trial then gave him a contract.

I would definitely recommend the PDC, as it definitely helps with their football and their discipline".

Richard Bulling, Football Development Officer & PDC Lead, further explains the importance of the relationship between the PDC & the Academy.

"Ty is a great example of the opportunities for players that are 'excelling' at our PDC's. For those that are excelling, we will send a recommendation over to the Academy for a future trial. As always, we will only send a recommendation over if we feel the player needs that extra challenge. In the case of Ty, this was certainly the case and we are delighted he has now been offered a contract with Watford FC's Academy. Well done Ty and keep up the hard work!

Name: Ty Lesser

Age Group: U11/U12

Club: Watford FC

Priorities

We will create and provide opportunities for people to learn and develop new skills.

"I learnt a lot of skills when I was at the PDC, some of the skills I have learnt are really effective in games.

Mission

Making a positive difference for all through Sport, Physical Activity and Learning

"I would recommend the PDC to my friends because it could help them so much in their football and the coaches are very friendly.

I feel that no one should give up, and always fight for your dreams no matter what".