



## **BOYS U-15 HSA Select 04**

**Head Coach** Kirk Van Landeghen

**Bio** Played soccer in Washington state since I was six (both competitive and recreational).

Coached for twelve years.

USSF National "D" License

**Coaching Philosophy** I prefer coaching teenagers as it allows me to take their basic skills to the next level; ball control, advanced kicking and dribbling techniques, fakes/feints, and more aggressive play. They also have the ability now to understand and implement team tactics. I coach to press the opposing teams' defense and have an aggressive attacking style. Players will develop a higher understanding of their opponents' tactics and learn counter-tactics. I teach respect of the game, your opponent, referees, and of each other. I strive to improve each player so that they may progress up to the next level of soccer.

**Current/past teams (fall leagues)** 2012 WSSC Head Coach GU12, co-coach BU14  
2011 WSSC Head Coach BU13  
2002-2010 SnoKing Head Coach GU6-GU13 Rec to Select

**In this past year** I finally feel settled back into West Seattle after having been away for the last six years. I am looking forward to getting back into coaching as it something that I enjoy and have the expertise to offer.

**Fun fact** I had a lot of energy as a teenager growing up in the 80's. In addition to playing premier soccer I enjoyed break-dancing as well.