

Frequently Asked Questions – ESC & NOKC Academy Merger

As we are preparing for the merger of ESC Academy and NOKC Academy under the unified OEFC Academy, we understand that families, players, and staff will have questions. Below is a list of anticipated FAQs and key information as we move through this exciting transition.

1. What is staying the same?

- Both ESC and NOKC Academy programs will continue to operate as they currently do through the Spring 2026 season.
 - The ESC Recreational and NOKC Recreational programs will remain separate. They will not merge and will continue to operate independently at their current locations, following their existing structures, and continue to be vital partners to the OEFC Academy.
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2. When will we start seeing merger activities?

- The first official merged event will be our Winter Camp on **December 29–30, 2025 at Soccer City. Details Announced November 13th.** This will provide players with the opportunity to train in a unified environment led by both ESC and NOKC coaching staff “New OEFC Academy Staff”
 - This camp will serve as an early introduction to what the merged academy structure will look like in 2026.
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3. How can families learn more about the merger process?

- A **Town Hall Meeting** will be held in **early Spring 2026** to share updates, provide details, and answer all major questions.
 - Between now and then, additional information will be communicated through official OEFC channels, including email and social media.
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4. What topics will be addressed at the Town Hall Meeting?

The Town Hall will focus on the full structure and logistics of the merger, including:

- Training schedules and locations
 - Coaching site and assignments
 - Leadership and organizational structure
 - 4v4, 7v7, and 9v9 logistics
 - Uniforms, leagues, and tournaments
 - General operational updates for Fall 2026
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5. How can I submit questions before the Town Hall?

We have opened a dedicated email line to gather all questions leading to the Town Hall Meeting.

Please send any questions to:

academy@okenergyfc.org

While we may answer select questions directly by email, the primary goal is to collect all inquiries to help shape the most informative and comprehensive Town Hall presentation possible.

6. When will final details and structures be announced?

Most final details — including training locations, leadership assignments, and team structures — will be finalized and shared at or shortly after the Town Hall Meeting in early Spring 2026.

Families can expect ample time to understand and prepare for the full merger before Fall 2026.

7. What should families do right now?

At this stage, families should continue their current academy seasons as usual. Stay tuned for updates, plan to attend the Winter Camp, and watch for communication about the Town Hall Meeting in early 2026.