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Greatness It begins at

Andy Griffin Football Academy



Kick start your succ

Join the Premier League. If you are disciplined, hardworking, committed and passionate - it's game on!

Welcome to the Andy Griffin Football Academy (AGFA), a two year full-time programme aimed at talented young male and female players who have aspirations to play football at a high level or work in the football industry, but also appreciate the value of a top class education.

Our dedicated NSCG Academy of Sport, with unrivalled facilities, top notch coaches and a pretty impressive trophy cabinet is home to the best of the best in male and female footballing talent.

If you want to play and train at the highest level, you'll be coached by professionals who are at the top of their league, bringing a wealth of experience and transferring that passion to the classroom, where you will be able to gain recognised academic and vocational qualifications.

If football's in your DNA and you're talented enough to be playing at a high club level, involved in county trials or at a professional football academy or centre of excellence, we've got unrivalled opportunities to develop your talent, both on and off the pitch.

Andy Griffin Head Coach, AGFA



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At the helm of the Academy is our Head Coach Andy Griffin, ex-Premiership footballer and former Stoke City Captain, who has played in the Champions League with Newcastle United.

At the peak of his game, he played for the great Sir Bobby Robson, Kenny Dalglish and Ruud Gullit.

He captained Stoke City to promotion to the Premier League under Tony Pulis, and was fortunate enough to play for the flamboyant Harry Redknapp at Portsmouth.

Assisting Andy, are a team with a wealth of football experience at semi-professional and local level, including Men's 1st Team Coach, John Johnston who has previously played for for Crewe Alexandra, Altrincham F.C. and Chester F.C.

Along with current Derby County F.C Women and England midfielder Sherry McCue, who heads up our Ladies' Academy.



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First Class Opportunities

At the AGFA, we go that bit further to ensure you get the most out of your course by providing a range of extra activities and experiences to supplement your studies.

These opportunities include, international tours, discounts on football coaching qualifications, visits to professional clubs, top sports universities and St George's Park, home of the FA. You'll also get invaluable advice on applying for football scholarships to the USA.





AGFA students meet Brighton & Hove Albion FC players, Lewis Dunk and Danny Welbeck

Academy Kit

As a member of the Andy Griffin Football Academy, you'll get the look with our Academy match-day and training kits.

For a contribution of £50, each Academy Player will receive the following starter pack to get them ready for match days and training sessions that lie ahead.

- 1 x Home AGFA Kit*
- 1 x Away AGFA Kit*
- 1 x AGFA Match Day Shorts
- 1 x AGFA Training T-Shirt
- 1 x AGFA Training Shorts

Apply to the AGFA

Make your next move

Have you got what it takes to be part of the Andy Griffin Football Academy (AGFA)?

Membership to the AGFA is by application, and is only open to the best in footballing talent.

You'll be playing at a high club level, involved in county trials, or at a professional football academy or centre of excellence - you'll demonstrate your footballing talents to us during our selection process.

This is a tough programme and requires equal and serious commitment to both your football skills development and education.



Choose your pathway

Vocational

BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Sport

You'll need 4 or more high grades (9-4) at GCSE, ideally including maths and English.

BTEC Level 2 Extended Certificate in Sport

You'll need 4 or more grade 3's at GCSE.

A Level & A+ Programmes

Go ahead and choose four of your favourite subjects and you will study three of them alongside being a member of the AGFA.

You will have a minimum of five GCSEs at grade 5 or above, including maths and English Language.



Application

First, you'll need to complete an online application form at **nscg.ac.uk/AGFA**. Once you've done this, you'll need to make contact with our AGFA team:

Newcastle campus:

01782 254198 or agfa.newcastle@nscg.ac.uk

Stafford campus:

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To register your interest or arrange a trial session.



It begins at: **NSCG.ac.uk/AGFA**







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