



On Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> October 2019, it was announced that Franklin Pierce Soccer Club (FPSC) would become Steel United Washington. Becoming the newest club to join Steel United, already established in seven other states. For the 2020/2021 season, all Franklin Pierce Soccer Club teams will play as the new **Steel United Washington**.

FPSC was founded in 1969 and is one of the longest-serving and well-regarded youth soccer programs in the region. FPSC this year celebrates its 50th year in existence, and within that the Fury select program its 13th year, and its strongest to date. FPSC has multiple teams competing in the NPL (National Premier League) and is having great success at the Classic, Copa, and Recreational divisions. The club has 21 select teams and 49 recreational teams. FPSC currently stands at 320 Fury players and 540 Recreational players strong. The club adopted the *PLAYERS FIRST* philosophy, which represents the FPSC's commitment to placing the long-term interests of each player at the heart of every decision in structuring, operating and managing the club. The true success of the club comes from the many volunteers, parents, and coaches who have shared their time and effort to make FPSC something special.

The decision to become Steel United was carefully considered and strategically planned out by the FPSC board and directors. The biggest challenges the club faces today are fields and competition in the local and surrounding area. This agreement to become Steel United WA will give the players and families the resources, administration, and facility access for the long-term success and future of the club. Steel United's core values: Teamwork, Respect, Integrity, and Commitment resonate with the current values of FPSC and will continue to provide an exceptional soccer program for years to come. The FPSC community will continue to receive the support and dedication to players, coaches, and staff as it transitions to Steel United Washington. Under the new banner our goal will be to challenge the future state in the local community and find new opportunities for the players: From the Steel United National Program; to the College Development Program; our National Curriculum; to the extensive professional development for all coaches. The FPSC Club and Members will thrive in the future and challenge all players in a long term development plan.

Steel United has clubs in eight states with 3000 plus players. They service players from 4 years old through high school as well as college-age, and offer a national infrastructure for players as well as tournaments and international experiences. Steel United is partnered with PUMA, Yokohama, Gatorade, Kwikgoal, and Soccer.com. To find out more about Steel United [please click here](#).

Steel United is a subsidiary of Steel Sports, a social impact organization which through its mission, vision, and core values is intent on challenging the status quo in youth sports and player development. To see more about Steel Sports [please click here](#).

Steel United is coming!