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Setting up a high performance system

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"The definition of insanity is doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results."

Albert Einstein

FACT!!

The approach to athletic training and preparation has undergone radical changes over the last decade.

These changes are sometimes referred to as paradigm shifts.

New paradigms for short and long-term athlete preparation, planning, and periodisation are challenging coaches and sport administrators to rethink and restructure training, competition and recovery programmes









Coaches often evaluate the value of their coaching paradigms based on athlete performance.

If a coaching paradigm has been successful in the past, there is a tendency for the coach to continue to use it.

However, history has shown that past success doesn't guarantee future success. (What may work somewhere else may not work here.)









- Optimal training, competition and recovery programming with relation to biological development and maturation
- Equal opportunity for recreation and competition
- Athlete centred, coach driven and administration, sport science and sponsor supported
- Long-term athlete or long-term player/athlete development is not an elitist model
- LTAD provides the base for participating in life-long physical activity as well as to train and compete in performance sports.







Physical Literacy is the foundation for life-long participation in physical activity and excellence in performance sport



THE BIG PICTURE

The health and well-being of the nation and medals won at major games and international competitions is a simple by-product of an effective sport system starting with physical education!

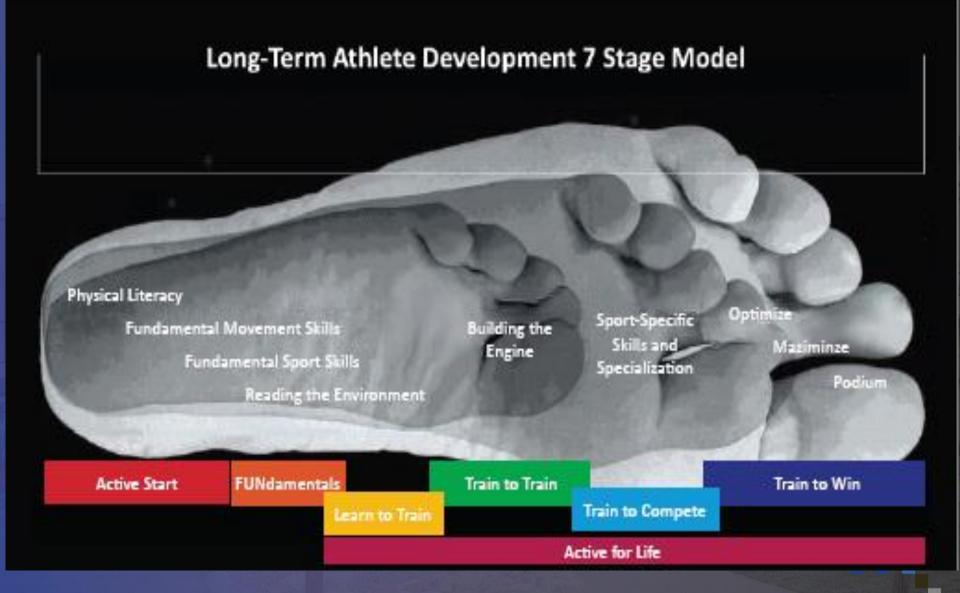






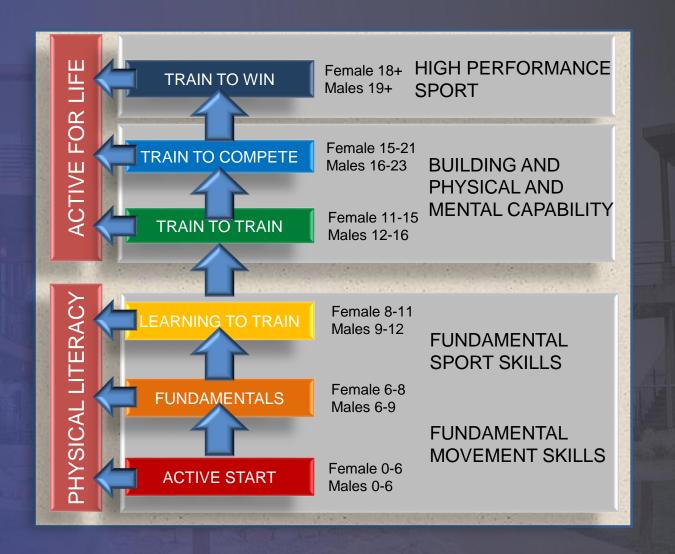






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GOOD TO GREAT!

Excellence is not the issue – everything is excellent – it's about relevance and context.

It is no longer about what you know – Professor Google has made sure that everyone knows what you know – it's now about how, when, where and why you do what you do;







- The name of the game is living success having a set of rules that guide the direction of your life, the decisions you make and the destiny of your dreams...everyday – try these four:
 - P Persistence Never, ever give up;
 - A Attitude they can who believe they can;
 - C Consistency it's not about the end result every year (in the annual report) – it's what you do everyday that makes a difference; US OLYMPIC SLOGAN
 - E Energy Passion, excitement, enthusiasm these things give you the energy to power success.









Change is critical.

But – you need to accept that everyone is changing – the real challenge is to accelerate your rate of change faster than your opposition







The difference between good and great is simple: it's about doing more – more often.

Most people do the minimum standard – the great ones do more than they are asked – they challenge themselves to improve and get better – they do more than is expected.

How can you be great if you do the "average" – being great is about doing more than the average









Continuous improvement is everything.

It is not about winning once - it is about continually challenging, changing, learning, evolving and improving so that you are always striving to be better.

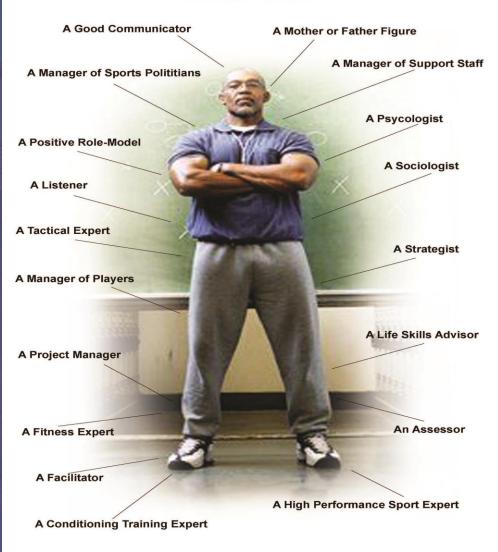
Believe like you are number one – but passionately and relentlessly pursue improvement like you are number two.







Ideal Coach











"To win is great, but to not know why you have won is unforgivable" Steve Carver









THE 6 POINT PLAN!

Ruthless simplicity:

When it comes to communication, coaching approaches, plans and implementation of the plans).

The deadline never changes:

Don't compromise your end target/goal, rather find solutions to the obstacles you face reaching the deadline).

Good enough – isn't anymore







The enemy doesn't wait until you are ready – it's tough out there.

Perils of performance loafing: As a team grows in size, the contribution of the individual tends to decrease.

Finally, the pursuit is just as important as the result!







VVIP!

Concentrate on what you can control

Becoming brilliant at the basics

Begin with the outcome and plan backwards

Systematic thinking – be disciplined in your thinking during periods of winning and losing









- Values and beliefs affect attitude and that attitude ultimately affects behaviour.
- It cannot be stressed enough how important it is to know what values and beliefs the people you are working with have.
- They need to be known, discussed and understood.
- This will make it easier to plan an approach to achieve the best results possible.









- A critical element of any success is overcoming adversity: Once attained, success looks effortless, as if the person were born to it.
- Failure is actually a big part of success. Failure sends a successful person in a new direction towards his or her next success. Little is as important in any endeavour than learning how to handle failure and disappointment.
- Nobody wins all the time: even the best professional athletes make mistakes - Michael Jordan said, "I can accept failure, everyone fails at something; but I cannot accept not trying".







A high performance environment provides the potential for success: a winning culture turns potential into victory.







Just take a moment to reflect on the fact that Elite Athletes:

Must perform under conditions of intense pressure

- Must understand that numbers drive everything
- Are constantly under pressure from ambitious new competitors on a daily basis
- Realises that last year's record becomes next years baseline









Constantly need to grow and reinvent themselves in order to stay at the top

Is subject to brutal accountability: you win or you lose – there is nothing in between

Must have a sustainable drive, or achieving performance goals becomes very difficult.







These prerequisites and requirements of the elite athlete are exactly what you as Directors of Sport/Sports administrators face to ensure that these underlying mechanisms which orchestrate world-class performance are enshrined in winning culture.







