



Chargers SC at Lakewood Ranch  
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### **LWR CHARGERS SC AND ELITE ACADEMY LEAGUE CLUB NEW MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENT**

**LAKEWOOD RANCH, FL** – The Chargers Soccer Club at Lakewood Ranch—one of the fastest growing clubs in the Lakewood Ranch and Manatee County area—is excited to announce that it has been accepted into the Elite Academy League. Membership in this league means that beginning in the 2023-24 season, the top boys’ teams from our club will have the privilege of participating in the Elite Academy’s new Southeast Conference. This conference consists of eight teams, among them prestigious names such as Juventus Academy-Miami and PSG Academies. The Elite Academy League, which ushers top competition and yields exposure for players on a regional and national scale, is just what Antonio Saviano, the Technical Director of the Chargers SC at Lakewood Ranch, hoped to offer to the community of Lakewood Ranch Chargers families. “We have been looking for a solid structure for our teams,” he said of the club’s entry into the league. “The Elite Academy League will offer this opportunity to our players at all levels.”

As members of the elite Academy League, Chargers teams at Lakewood Ranch (in the categories of U13 and up) will be eligible to compete at National and Regional showcases, where players are identified as potential recruits by college coaches in attendance. As Peter Mannino, Chargers Soccer Club Director of Coaching, put it: “We are very excited to be an official member of the Elite Academy league for 2023-24 season. A national platform of competitive clubs with high standards and pursuing the ultimate goals to improve the youth soccer landscape. Congratulations to Technical Director Antonio Saviano, Staff, Players and Parents of the Lakewood Ranch Chargers Soccer Club.”

We look forward to seeing our teams and players shine next season in the Elite Academy League and wish them much success as they take on a new challenge. To find out how you can be part of the Elite Academy League with the Lakewood Ranch Chargers SC, visit [www.chargerssoccer.com/LWR](http://www.chargerssoccer.com/LWR)

#### **About the Elite Academy League**

The Elite Academy League has a mission to provide a National platform with a standard based league giving clubs the ability to provide full developmental model and pathway with top competition and exposure. For more information: <https://eliteacademyleague.com>

#### **About the LWR Chargers SC**

The **Lakewood Ranch Chargers Soccer Club** is an extension of the Chargers Soccer Club. The Lakewood Ranch Chargers Soccer Club prides itself on its dedication to every player’s individual and team goals, and encourages all players to strive to achieve those successes throughout their youth soccer experiences and beyond. The club instills values of teamwork, discipline, commitment, respect, and leadership which together help build confidence in its players and create opportunities for healthy living and academic achievement. The Chargers Soccer Club has been providing soccer opportunities to players throughout the Tampa Bay region since 1975.

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