

## **ANB Academy player offered year-long trial**

August, 2013 (RELEASE) -- The ANB Academy is pleased to announce that 14-year old ANB Academy player, **Dan Manolache (1999 born)**, has been offered the opportunity to train in southern France, joining Annecy FC's U-15 team, an amateur club (<http://www.annecyfootballclub.fr/>) with formal ties to the Ligue 1 professional club, Evian TG FC.

Dan will be leaving Canada in the middle of August, and living and studying in France for one year, along with playing in the top national youth league against teams from professional formation centres – Olympique Lyonnais, AS St-Etienne, Evian TG FC, FC Sochaux, and AJ Auxere. He will study at a local college and will be billeted by a host-family during his stay.

The arrangement for Dan's opportunity started at this year's ANB International ID Camp where he was scouted by Jean-Phillip Nallet, the General Manager & Technical Director at Annecy FC. Dan has been a member of ANB Futbol Academy for the past 4 years, competing in U-16 SAAC competitions, participating in various showcase events in the United States, and captaining ANB teams playing in international events in England, France, and Italy. Along with being a talented athlete, Dan is a strong student, combining the "Athlete of the Year" award with an honour role prize at his elementary school graduation.

"This is an amazing and unique opportunity for Dan; he has been a model ANB athlete since joining the Academy. He is bilingual having studied at a French immersion school, and I am confident he will find success on and off the field. We wish him well and expect to hear many good things from Dan in the future," says Academy Director, Bassam Naim.



ANB Academy's vision is to become Canada's leading soccer development organization. Its mission is to identify Canadian soccer talent, and to maximize the potential of players at any level, through professional coaching and training.

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