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SOUTH TEXAS YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION'S NEW ASSISTANT TECHNICAL DIRECTOR

ROUND ROCK, TEXAS - South Texas Youth Soccer is excited to announce Rodo Castilla as South Texas Youth Soccer's newest Assistant Technical Director. Rodo holds a Bachelor's degree in Kinesiology, a Master's degree in Soccer Coaching, and US Soccer Federation "A" and Youth National Licenses. Castilla brings more than a decade of experience in youth development at Collegiate, Academy, and Club level showing his dedication and passion for the game.

Prior to joining STX, Rodo was working with the Houston Dynamo FC, where he coached all ages serving as Academy Coach, Foundation Phase Director, and U20 Head Coach. Castilla oversaw the development of players within the Foundation Phase (U-10, U-11, U-12), supported the Academy teams (U13-U17) in training and games, and ended his term coaching the older Academy team (U20). Castilla was responsible for leading initiatives and programming related to coach education, and player development and identification throughout the Houston's Dynamo territory.

In addition to his MLS work, Rodo has served as Youth Director of Coaching for several top soccer clubs in the Houston area for boys and girls where he has designed and executed several initiatives to support club growth, member retention, and player development. Castilla's previous experience also includes coaching at DA, MLS Next, and ECNL level heading up player recruitment and development at every institution. Lastly, Rodo has served as ODP state staff coach and South Region staff coach since 2016, where he has facilitated growth and development among young soccer players and helped identify the best youth soccer talent across the country.

Growing up in Cali, Colombia Rodo was a part of the top youth system and played in College before moving to Houston in 2006, where he lives with his wife and daughter.
