

Greetings from sunny Florida

Happy Thanksgiving to everyone. The Region IV Boys ODP teams have been on the go with two busy days almost finished. All of the teams are looking forward to getting the games started.

Thursday's travel arrangements seemed to go fairly well. There were some last minute problems arising from unaccompanied minor issues with some of our younger players. We sorted out all of the problems without any major headaches. All of the airplanes landed either early or close to on time so we were able to get all the boys back to the hotel in time for a Thanksgiving dinner of turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes, and pumpkin pie. After dinner we had a regional meeting with all of the players, coaches, and staff, to discuss expectations, and to prepare for our day of training.

We had some expectations of rain and overcast for all of Friday. We held morning training sessions for all teams under cloudy skies, but with no rain. The afternoon proved to be perfect weather as the clouds cleared and the humidity decreased. All of the teams managed to get in some spirited training while rekindling friendships with their teammates from around the Region. This evening was spent getting uniforms issued, coaches holding meetings, and everyone getting ready for a good night's sleep.

We will try and have a daily report from each team posted after their game is played. We are hoping for great results but also look forward to a wonderful competition no matter the outcome.